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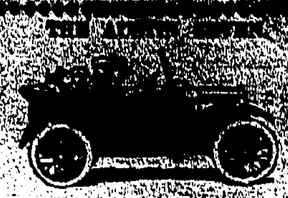
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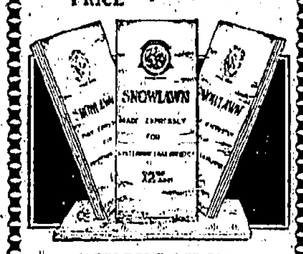

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Because she possessed the eloquence of a Portia, a Chinese girl obtained her release, without payment of ransom, from bandits who were pleasantly surprised to receive subsequent payment.

Such is the story related to a "China Mail" reporter by the girl's father, a native of the metropolitan district of Pun U, whose home is close to the naval port of Whampoa, about an hour's steaming from Canton.

In a village of several hundred souls, there are two clans which have been bitter enemies because of a feud which originated about three centuries ago.

Some three years back, the weaker clan had its houses razed to the ground, their members having started the fight the previous day.

Deprived of their homes, a number of the young men on the losing side betook themselves to the hills where they earned a precarious livelihood by acting as scouts for robbers.

Just before China New Year, four sisters, whose ages ranged from sixteen to twenty-five, were returning home from Canton to enjoy the annual festival with their relatives. On the sampan which was to convey them over the last stage of the journey, a man who had been half asleep produced two revolvers from the fold of his long-coat. It took him several minutes to suppress the sisters' cries of fear, and when he had done this he ordered the sampan-folk to row the boat ashore where several confederates awaited him. Leaving one to "see off" the sampan, the gang made a trek for the hills, meanwhile removing what small articles of jewellery the girls had with them.

On arrival at the robber den, the girls were questioned one by one. No matter how they tried they could not separate the youngest of the sisters who insisted on answering all questions. They tried to conceal their identity but the robber who had been in the boat insisted to the others that they were the daughters of a rich member of the clan which had been victorious in the village scrap. He went further. Pointing at the girls, he told the gang that their brother had taken a leading part in the raid on his clan. Against the brother he had sworn vengeance and the opportunity had now come.

However, the majority of the robbers were inclined to accept the girls' story, which was that they were only employed in a "paper-flower" shop in Canton, and were going back to their people in Whampoa, and on the counsel of the leader, decided to release three of the girls, keeping back the fourth sister. At this stage, this girl of sixteen pleaded with them to let her go as well. During the whole night, she spoke about the generosity of chivalrous outlaws in the days gone by. Quoting the classics she remonstrated with them not to divide up the sisterhood, and the other three backed her up by refusing to leave unless she went with them.

Unable to come to a decision, the gang sought the counsel of a neighbouring bandit chief who extracted a promise from the girls that if they were released, they would pay a sum of money—whatever they thought fit—to their captors. On their giving this promise, they were escorted to a neighbouring ferry-point where the robbers bade them return home. Still, the fourth sister was not satisfied. Because of the threats made by the member of the rival clan, she felt that they would be open to further attack on the way home. She insisted that her escort accompany her to the wharf nearest Whampoa, and the guards actually consented to leave the safety of their own district just to comply with the request.

At Whampoa, the liberated girls put up with friends, not daring to venture back to their native village. Their father was communicated with and he sent them $600. After China New Year they went to a shop in Canton through which they remitted a sum of $400 and other tribute in kind to their captors.

The eyes of their father would then reveal the route the robbers had taken them nor would they give any clue to their brother—who insisted on revenge—as to the identity of the man who had engineered their capture.

As the father said to the "China Mail" man, "My fourth daughter won her freedom through speech. In the course of her speech, she gave her word of honour. I had to redeem her promise and there the matter ends as far as I am concerned. Nevertheless, she is still receiving correspondence from the robbers, including a letter thanking her for the money and gifts. I can only hope that her friendship with them will put an end to the feud between the two neighbouring clans."

TO-DAY'S RACES.

Prospects For This Afternoon.

WHAT SHOULD WIN.

GREY MORN BIG EVENT FAVOURITE.

Unless there is a pronounced change for the worse in the weather, it is very likely that the second extra race meeting of the season will be held this afternoon as intended.

It should be borne in mind that there has been little or no rain for some time. This morning, the course was slippery in a few places but not holding. Undoubtedly, times will be on the slow side. Sand may be put on the grass at the bare spots on both sides of the winning post and near the six furlong post.

Of most interest to-day will be the performances, on a comparatively heavy course, of the ponies which did well at the annual and the first extra meetings when the track was hard.

The first saddling bell is at 2 p.m. and the first race is at 2.30.

TIPS FOR TO-DAY.

[By "Patrol."]

Below will be found my selections for to-day.

1.—March Stakes: ½ mile.
Jimmy Lad 1
Quab 2
Lumbmie 3

2.—Hainton Plate; "B" class: 6 furlongs.
Phenomenal Dahlia .. 1
Baby Eyes 2
Strathallan 3

3.—Hainton Plate, "A" class: 6 furlongs.
Gypsy Love 1
Rothesay 2
Uncle Alf 3

4.—Aggregate Stakes: one mile.
King of the Plains .. 1
Grey Morn 2
Gold Leaf 3

5.—Canwick Plate: 1 mile, 165 yards.
Solly 1
Saracen 2
Gimlet 3

6.—Brocklesby Stakes: one mile.
Poppy Leaf 1
Tadworth 2
King Ptolemy 3

7.—Lincolnshire, "B" class: 1¼ miles.
Beldorney Star 1
King Canute 2
Duke of Frisco 3

8.—Lincolnshire, "A" class: 1¼ miles.
Dictator Dahlia 1
Spotted Sand 2
Clover Club 3

Although I have placed Jimmy Lad first and Quab second in the opening event, I do not think there is much difference between them but they should occupy the first two places.

Phenomenal Dahlia (on form) ought to be about [illegible]

Gypsy Love [illegible]

Uncle Alf [illegible]

Grey Morn will be hot favourite for the big event. King of the Plains is very fit and has improved on his previous best. Going by appearances, the Dynasty candidate should do well on a wet track and that is why my $5 will be on him in preference to going through the crush twice for 20 cents. Even if the King does not win he should give Grey Morn a run for his money and these two should finish in front of Chicago or whatever opposition there may be, but Mr. Harriman may spring a surprise on Gold Leaf.

In the sixth race, I shall pin my faith to King Ptolemy on the strength of his game fight against better class ponies, over the same distance, at the last meeting. With a little luck, he should even win.

Considering the class of ponies he is likely to meet, Beldorney Star should credit himself with first place in the sixth race.

My "selection" in the final event may be prejudiced, again on account of reluctance to elbow my way for a "hot favourite" dividend. However, if Grey Morn does not run and weights are put up 5 pounds all round, I will not consider myself lucky if I win on either Dictator Dahlia, or, preferably, Spoted Sand.

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WIRELESS NEWS FOR STEAMERS.

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Passengers in Far Eastern waters may ere long have "all the latest" wirelessed to them from Hongkong instead of having to depend, as is generally the case at present, on German and French wireless stations.

The Government is causing enquiries to be made with regard to the possibilities of such news being broadcast from Cape D'Aguilar, the "China Mail" understands.

We also learn that the station at Stonecutters has been broadcasting news purely for the China station for some time and that a precis of the newspapers of Hongkong has been regularly despatched for the benefit of the ships in the Far East who are on the high seas or out of touch with mail news.

No charge can, of course, be made for the service that it is anticipated Hongkong will provide, but the tribute to the enterprise of the Colony which will be paid by many a passenger as he glances at the words "Hongkong service" at the bottom of the welcome message, (always assuming that plans materialise) will surely be sufficient to justify the little expenditure that would be incurred in running such a service.

The service would also be a boon to officers of the mercantile marine who are practically cut off from all news at present when between ports.

Regarding wireless communication generally it was noted in the annual report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce that the fact that messages can only be received here during the hours that the Hongkong Post Office is open causes considerable delays at the end of the week, and the suggestion there put forward was that in view of the extent of "ship to shore" traffic, arrangements should be made whereby messages can be received and delivered in Hongkong, at least, at any time during the twenty-four hours.

In the same report are emphasised the exceptional difficulties of wireless in Hongkong on account of "atmospherics," already referred to by Mr. L. H. King, Government Electrical Engineer in charge of wireless, in a memorandum on local and general considerations concerning wireless telegraphy here. The "atmospherics," he stated, were prevalent practically all round the world at this latitude from April until September.

HOME MAILS.

The Home mails via Suez and Siberia arrived simultaneously this morning.

The P. & O. Karmala via Suez brought 469 bags of letters and newspapers posted in London on February 19, and the parcel mail of February 12 comprising 111 bags. The mails will be ready for delivery about 1 o'clock to-day.

The mail of February 27 via Siberia which arrived by the s.s. Agapenor (approximately 20 bags) will be ready for delivery about 4 p.m.

With an outward mail this morning and bumper arrivals of European and other mails, the G.P.O. staff had more work than they could handle.

Charged with robbery at No. 6, Mongkok Road, on February 6, a Chinese was remanded at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

PRETTY KOWLOON WEDDING.

Photo by Mee Fong.

Group taken at the wedding of Miss Maud Marsh, Naval Yard, Kowloon, and Chief Officer J. T. J. Dayton, of the Taikoo Wang Yi, who are seen with the bride's mother and father, Miss Edith Marsh, bridesmaid, and Mr. R. Neale, best man.

BON VOYAGE!

SIR ROBERT HO TUNG SAILS.

Blake Pier was crowded this morning with friends of Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung and other well-known personages who left for Home this morning by the "Empress of Canada."

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CABLE PAGE

CANTON RIVER.

Notice has been given that, owing to breakdown of mechanism, the fog-gun at Sampanchow Lighthouse is out of commission. Pending repairs, a bell will be sounded at intervals of two minutes during fog or thick weather. Owing to the bell being of small size, mariners are warned to navigate the vicinity with caution.

DOG BITE.

A dog said to be owned by Dr. S. S. Strahan bit a garden coolie employed at No. 30A, The Peak yesterday.

The coolie was taken to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment and the animal is under observation at Kennels.

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SHANGHAI MARKET.

A DISAPPOINTING WEEK.

After the better outlook of the past two or three weeks, business conditions have shown disappointing characteristics during the past few days, says the North China Daily News of March 14. The optimism shown especially as regards piece goods has had a distinct though possibly temporary set-back, but it makes the future uncertain.

Cotton is again stronger, and this is accompanied by greater strength in yarn, although prices for the latter are not yet in keeping with those of the raw material.

Exports are quiet, for not only are the silk markets abroad dull but absence of stocks here precludes any great volume of business in produce.

PIECE GOODS.

A flat market generally has been the case in piece goods during the week. Apparently a fair off-take has been the order since the opening of the market following China New Year, and so far these deliveries have not been digested in the consuming centres. As a consequence there has been a halt in purchases from local holders, and such absence of orders has had a weakening effect on the market. Added to this it is believed that a number of the bigger Chinese dealers, realizing the impossibility of replacing cargo at present prices, have not been prepared to part with their stocks, and so a general uncertainty as to the position has been a feature of the case.

The drop in exchange has further intended to increase the difficulties. Although purchases from Tientsin and Szechuan have greatly dropped away, other centres show possibilities of a steady demand, especially for Spring Fancies and White Shirtings. Fast Blacks and Venetians are now in their off-season, and for the next two months are likely to be a poor market. The best feature of the situation is that the purchases made recently are apparently proceeding undisturbed into the interior.

The report on the auctions is no more favourable than that affecting private business. In many cases so few orders were on hand that dealers who had a genuine demand to fill were largely able to fix their own prices for the chops they wanted. So far as the auctions were concerned there was nothing at the beginning of the week to lead anybody to anticipate any depression, but apparently the non-absorption of stocks recently purchased combined with the presence of soldiery in the Soochow area and the Hunan-Hupeh disturbances brought that condition about.

THE AUCTIONS.

The Kungping auction, after the promise of better things, was disappointing on Tuesday. There was practically no competition, and those dealers who had the few orders which were going, were able to dictate prices. Blacks fell on the average from 1 to 1.5 mace, while Greys and Whites were also a fraction down. Similar quantities to the previous week were sold.

The feature of the Ewo auction on Tuesday was that White Shirtings were firmer on the whole, although generally demand was much quieter. Very little demand was evidenced for Black Italians, and Venetians and Greys were barely steady.

At the Yuenfong auction on Thursday 485 packages were disposed of. Italians were 3¼ mace down, Greys ¼ mace down, and Whites 1¼ mace lower.

COTTON, YARN, ETC.

China Cotton—Deliveries of China cotton in Shanghai have only been fair during the week. The local staple continues to gain in price, and on the Chinese Cotton Goods Exchange yesterday morning, when transactions amounted to 17,600 piculs, the following were the forward rates:—March 43.80: April 44.20: May 44.15: June 44.30: July 44.43. This increase has been due to the late steadiness in the American staple as well as to local conditions. Spot rates are:—Tungchow 44/45: Shanghai 42½/43: Shensi 43¾/44¾: Ningpo 41/41½.

Yarn—Transactions in yarn have been much more brisk during the past week than has been the case recently. Dealers are making purchase for the coming season, but although prices have improved they are not yet all that could be desired. The advance is fully represented in the quotations current yesterday morning on the Chinese Cotton Goods Exchange, these being:—March 175.70: April 175: May 174.30: June 173.20: July 172.30: August 172.10. The total dealt in yesterday morning at the Exchange was 12,200 bales. Spot quotations are as follows:—10's 155/162; 16's 169/179; 20's 178/191.

American Cotton—After remaining steady for nearly a week at its recent highest figure, American cotton has declined within the past two days by about 50 points. New York quotations: May 24.40: July 25.68: October 25.07: December 25.07: January 24.94: spot 25.50: highest May 25.84: lowest May 25.35. Liverpool quotations:—May 13.95: October 13.67: spot 14.14.

Egyptian Cotton—Spot:—36.85.

Bombay Cotton—Lower New York advices and selling by Japanese houses caused the market to open weak. Rates:—F. G. Bengal March 433: Fine Oomra March 472: F. G. Broach Apail/May 481.

Sampin—Thursday afternoon's closing:—March 331.70: April 330.10: May 329.20: June 330.10: July 331.: August 330.80: September 330.30. Yesterday morning's closing:—March 330.20: April 328.60: May 328.10: June 328.30: July 328.30: August 328.40: Sept. 328.50.

ANOTHER REPORT.

In their weekly report issued on March 13, Messrs. J. Spunt & Co. state:—

China Cotton—The upward tendency of prices contined during the past week and values were carried 115 to 155 points above the level ruling a week ago, making a total advance of about four taels since the inception of the present bull movement. No further explanation is required than the continued small movement of commitments from the interior marts and limited stocks at Shanghai. The general undertone of the market has been fairly good, due principally to the firmness with which spots are still held by the independent farmers, while the question of the marketing of the remainder of the crop by them has been very slow, and financially they are so well situated that it is most unlikely that they will deviate in the future from their policy of slow marketing.

Under the circumstances, we can only reiterate that we expect ultimate course of prices to be upward, though in a speculative market it would be imprudent to ignore the possibility of a temporary turn in the tide, with speculators generally short and bearish; but with continued small receipts from interior marts, we still consider a higher level of prices warranted by the legitimate surroundings. From present indications, therefore, we see no reason to change our views that any recession in prices is unwarranted, and would advise our friends to meet the situation cautiously by buying weak markets.

Yarn—The yarn market has been quite firm during the past week, with prices advanced four to five taels from last week's level. New business for export has been booked, some 13,000 to 14,000 bales in all counts and about 2,000 bales direct booking with the mills has been recorded. As to the future trend of the market, we still adhere to our opinion that no radical decline will be felt locally owing to the interior marts being practically bare of stocks.

SILK.

There is little change to report in the Shanghai silk market from last week.

The New York market has declined, while Lyons is quiet.

Any local sales reported are mostly speculative.

Bullion.

The fortnightly decline in exchange rates has assisted the export market to a certain extent, and had supplies been normal a considerable business could have been effected as Home markets appear largely to have exhausted their stocks. The local scarcity, however, is still keenly felt and the volume of business has been restricted.

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" 4 months' sight ...2/31/2
Credits 4 months' sight ...2/4-[illegible]
Documentary, 4 months sight 2/4-[illegible]
On Paris—
On demand 104
Credits, 4 months' sight ... 1140
On demand ... ...nom.
On New York—
On demand ... ... 84[illegible]
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On Calcutta—
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Bangkok	Galle.	Kuala Lumpur	Rangoon
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Bombay	Howrah	New York	Simla
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Delhi	Kota Bharu		Sourabaya

HONGKONG BRANCH.
Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates that may be ascertained on application.

J. B. ROSS,
Acting Manager.

7, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, January 22, 1925.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.
11 A.M.

	MARCH 20.	MARCH 20. Sharebrokers' Association.
	Banks	
	H.S.B.C. T.T. on selling rate	
	London ... 2/3-1/8	2/3-1/4
	and on Shanghai ... $73¾	$73¾
	Hongkong Banks 1235 s 1230 sa London—£140	n. 1235
	Chartered Bank ... ... £21½ b. 21¾ sa	b. £21-1/8
	P. & O. Bank ... ... £ 11 b.	b. £11
	Est Asia Bank ... ... $100 b.	b. 99
	Mercantile Bank A B £20-1/4 b.	b. "A" £20¾
	do. C £18-1/8 b.	b. "C" 18¾
	Marine Insurances	
	Canton Insurance... ... ... 740 b.	b. 745
	North China Insurance ... $ 140 n.	n. 140
	Union Insurance ... ... $ 268 n	n. 265
	Insurance Yangtsze ... ... 43½ n.	b. 43
	China Und'rs ... ... 3 n.	b 2.65 s 2.70 sa 2.65/2.70
	Far Easterns ... ... —	—
	Fire Insurances	
	China Fire Insurance ... ... $ 195 b.	b. 195
	Hongkong Fire Insurance... $ 700 s.	n. 715
	Shipping	
	Douglases ... ... $ 56 n.	n. 59
	H.K. Steamboats ... ... $ 35½ b 35¾ sa	b 36 sa 35¾/36
	Hongkong Tugs and Lighter $4.70 s.	n. 4.70
	Indo-Chinas (Pref. ... ... $ 38 n.	n. 38
	do. (Def.) ... ... $ 120 n.	—
	do. (H.K. Reg.) ... 120 n.	n. 120
	Shell Transports ... ... 90/- n.	n. 83/-
	Star Ferries ... ... $83 b 83¾ sa	b 85 sa 86
	Water-boats ... ... $ 17-1/4 n.	n. 19.10
	Oriental Nav. Co. ... ... $255 n.	n. 255
	Refineries	
	China Sugar ... ... $ 71 b.	s 70 sa 68/70
	Malabon Sugar ... ... $ 40 n.	n. 41
	Mining	
	Kailan Mining Adm. ... ... 87/6 b	—
	Langkats ... ... Comb. $15 sa.	n. 87/6
	Shanghai Loans ... $7 n.	sa. 25
	S'hai Explorations... 6 n.	b. 7
	Single Langkats ... $11½ b.	b. 8
	Raubs ... ... $ 3.30 n	b. 11-1/2
	Tronoh Mines ... ... 56/- b.	n. 3½
	Ural Casp. ... ... 5/- n.	b. 7/-
	Benguet Con ... ... P. 2.60 n	—
	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.	
	H. & K. Wharfs ... ... $ 186 sa	h 186 sa 185.7
	H. & W. Dock ... ... $ 123 s.	b. & sa. 116
	S'hai Docks ... ... T127 sa	b. 123½ sa. 126/8
	New Engineerings... ... ... $9½ n.	b. 9½
	H. K. Engineerings ... ... —	—
	Shanghai Hongkews ... ... $300 b.	—
	Lands, Hotels & Buildings.	
	H.K. & S'hai Hotels $ 16 b 16½ sa New-16 b.	(b. 16.30 sa 16 16-1/2 New—b 16.20
	H.K. Developments ... ... 80 Cents b.	b. 85 Cents (16.20 40
	Hongkong Lands ... ... $ 92-1/2 b	b 93 sa 93.3
	Humphreys Estates ... ... $ 21 b 20 sa	b 20
	Kowloon Lands ... ... $ —	—
	Land Reclamations ... ... —	—
	Princes Building ... ... $150 n.	n. 150
	H.K. Realty ... ... $ 4.80 n	b. 4-1/8
	H.K. Territorials... ... ... $4 n.	s 4-1/2
	Rural Lands... ... ... $10 n.	—
	Cotton Mills.	
	Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd. ... $12 b.	b 12.10
	Kung Yiks ... ... —	—
	Laou Kung Mows... ... ... —	—
	Orientals... ... ... T. 3½ b.	s 4
	Shanghai Cotton ... ... T 60 b. New $53 s.	n 53½ New 21 n
	Yangtzepoos... ... ... —	—
	Miscellaneous.	
	Cements ... ... $16½ b. New 8-1/4 n.	(b. 20 New b. & sa. 8
	Cements "Combined" $27½ b 27¾ sa	(Comb. b. 28½ sa 27.40 28
	China-Borneos ... ... —	—
	China Lights (Old) ... ... $28½ b. 23 sa	n 19½
	do (New) $16 s. Comb. 37 b. 31½ sa	(New b 12½ Comb. s & sa 20½
	China Providents $16½ s. New 8.65 b.	(n 15.60 New b 8-1/2 sa 8½
	Providents Combined ... ... $38½ b.	Comb. b. 38½
	Dairy Farms... ... ... $25½ b. 26 sa	b 25-1/2
	H.K. Electrics ... ... $ 65 b.	b 64½ sa 64/65
	Macao do ... ... $ 42 n.	—
	Hongkong and Canton Ices ...	b. 8½
	Hongkong Rope... ... 16 n. New 10.20 n.	n 16 New 10 n
	Ropes Combined... ... ... $30 s.	sa 30
	Hongkong Tramways... ... $ 34[illegible]3 sa	b 31½ s 32½ sa 32
	Peak Tramways (Old)... ... $ 23 s.	s. 23
	Do. (New) ... ... $ 8 s. & n.	s 8
	Steam Laundries ... ... $ —	—
	H.K. Steel Foundry ... ... $ —	—
	Watson's ... ... $ 21½ s New 15 n.	(n 22 New n 13
	Wm. Powells ... ... $ 15 s.	—
	Lane Crawfords ... ... $18 n.	sa. 18½
	Canton Ices ... ... $ 7 b.	—
	H.K. Construction ... ... $7 s.	s 7.12
	Nanyang Tobacco ... ... —	n 10
	Sinceres ... ... $ 13-1/2 n.	b 2[illegible]
	Mackintosh ... ... $ 21 b.	—
	H.K. Taxis ... ... $ 3½ n	s. 3½
	China Buses ... ... $12½ b.	—
	Singapore Trams ... ... $ 14 b.	b. 1½
	Der A. Wing fully paid ... $ 10 n.	n. 10
	part Do paid. ... $ 5 n.	n. 5
	United Abesto (Founders)	n. 600
	do. (Ordinary) $ 10 n.	n. 1

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

Authorised Capital ..... $10,000,000.
Paid-up Capital ..... $5,000,000.
Reserve Fund ..... $1,000,000.

DIRECTORS:

Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son—Chairman	
Fung Ping Shan	Mok Ching Kong
Li Koon Chun	Wong Yun Tong
P. K. Kwok	Huynh Tai
Ng Ching Lok	Kan Ying Po
Pong Wai Ting	Chan Ching Shik

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KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1925.

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Reserve Fund ....G. 20,045,033 £ 1,670,41
Special Reserves...G. 29,660,000 £ 2,883,33

HEAD OFFICE:—Amsterdam.
EASTERN HEAD OFFICE:—Batavia.
BRANCHES:—

Bandjermasin	Bandoeng	Bombay
Calcutta	Cheribon	Djember
Djokjakarta	The Hague	Kobe
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W. H. GROSKAMP,
Agent.

Hongkong, November 4, 1924.

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Reserve Fund ..... Frs. 10,800,000

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Frs. 50,000,000.

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M. FITZ-PENRY,
Manager.

10th November, 1924.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LTD. (Taiwan Ginko.)

Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed ....Yen 60,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) .....Yen 52,500,000
Reserve Fund .....Yen 12,980,000

HEAD OFFICE:
TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES:
JAPAN—Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Moji.
FORMOSA.—Giran, Kagi, Karenko, Keelung, Makung, Nanto, Pinan, Shinchiku, Taichu, Tainan, Takow, Tamsui, Tohyen, Ako.
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Z. YAMAMOTO,
Manager.

HONGKONG BRANCH,
8, Des Voeux Road Central.
Hongkong, 5th June, 1924.

THE BANK OF CHINA 中國銀行

(Specially Authorised by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917).

Authorised Capital ... $60,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital $18,273,500.00
Reserve Fund ..... $ 9,629,425.86

HEAD OFFICE: PEKING.

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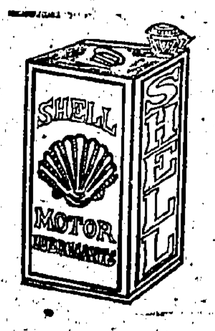
Every description of Banking Business transacted.
Loans granted on approved securities.
Special facilities for Remit Exchange.

T. SUYETSUGU,
Manager.



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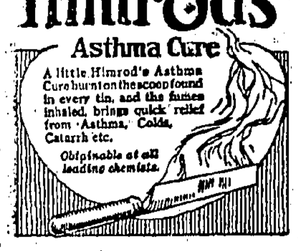

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INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of MEMBERS of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on MONDAY, 23rd March, 1925, at 4 o'clock precisely in the OLD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, City Hall, for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1924.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any General Business.

By Order,
M. F. KEY,
Secretary

Hongkong, 14th March, 1925.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fifty-sixth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on FRIDAY, 27th March 25, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the ...anagers, together with ... f Accounts for the year ended 31st December 19...

The Share Register ... Transfer Books will be closed from ... to the 27th March 1925, both inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1925.

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 30th March, 1925, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1924.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 20th to the 30th March 1925, (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors.
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1925.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Forty-seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder Street, on TUESDAY, the 31st March, 1925, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1924.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 17th to the 31st March 1925, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Agents.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1925.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at The Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 8th April, 1925, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended the 31st December, 1924, confirming the appointment of a Director and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 1st April, 1925, until Wednesday, the 8th April, 1925, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
J. BARTHOLOMEW,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1925.

NOTICE.

STORAGE Space on Marine Lots with Godown and Chinese Houses to Let.

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Hongkong, November 3, 1924.

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TO LET.—From June 1, 1925, two OFFICE ROOMS on 2nd floor, New Bank Building. Most suitable for share or exchange brokers. Apply to Sang Kee, same Building.

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INTIMATIONS.

DIA DA BOA IMPRENSA.

A Direccao da Religiao e Patria tem a honra de convidar os catolicos desta cidade para assistir as solenes festividades do Dia da Boa Imprensa que se ...arao no domingo, 22 do ...constando de funcao ...Catedral da Imaculada ...Conce... ...s 8.30 a.m. e 4.30 p.m. ...du... ...lemia literario-musical ...Lusitano as 5.30 p.m., ...re... ...do-lhes a conveniencia de rece... ...em a comunhao nesse dia pela propagacao da Boa Imprensa, de entoarem o hino "Queremos Deus" na Catedral, e de se incorporarem no cortejo da mesma Catedral para o Club Lusitano.

Hongkong, 19 de marco de 1925.

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A new medicine for the cure of Aneurism, Cancer and Carbuncle by Injection and Internal use.

Most physicians and surgeons have expressed the opinion that Aneurism, Cancer and Carbuncle are incurable and many deaths have been caused by these dread diseases. Dr. T. Matsushita, M. B., Professor of the Japanese Imperial University has made a careful study of these diseases for several years and has at last discovered the use of "CARCINOLYSIN" for injection and internal use. A large number of Japanese patients have been cured by the use of this medicine and it is now becoming well known for its curative properties.

Foreigners have always died of these diseases owing to failure to find a remedy.

Of late Dr. Sun Yat Sen is suffering from cancer of the liver which is a phase of one of the above-mentioned diseases. Those suffering from this disease will gradually develop fever, nervous pains, urinary troubles, bad appetite, dysentery and vomiting.

Victims of this disease are advised to immediately procure "CARCINOLYSIN" from our agents and by taking this internally, or by injection, the progress of the disease will be stopped and results quickly obtained.

Cancer Glands will disappear and swollen ulcers be reduced to a minimum quickly and easily by the use of "CARCINOLYSIN."

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MOON OF ISRAEL.

EPIC FILM COMES TO THE COLONY.

SPLENDOURS OF THE PAST.

Nobody could want a better Saturday picture than that showing at the Coronet Theatre to-day, for be the weather good or bad this afternoon, the "Moon of Israel" is a picture that can claim to vie with, if not to excel, every other local attraction in the entertainment line.

"Moon of Israel," as most people must know, is the work of that famous novelist Sir H. Rider Haggard. But not until they have seen it can cinema-goers realize what a wonderful film it makes, thanks to the masterly skill of the producer, Sir Oswald Stoll.

The most has been made of the great spectacular possibilities of the story, but the romance of the book has been preserved—the love of a maiden of Israel for an Egyptian prince.

It is, however, as a spectacle that the "Moon of Israel" chiefly appeals. More remarkable photography has seldom been seen. The wedding and coronation of Pharaoh alone represent a triumph of the highest order.

The picture deals with the escape of the Israelites from the bondage of the Pharaohs. The horrors of the plagues, the flight of thousands of people with their goods and their sheep and their oxen, the pursuit of the Egyptians—all these are shown with a realism that brings before the eyes of modern Hongkong one of the greatest Biblical stories in a truly wonderful way.

A special word must be said for the passage of the Red Sea, which has rightly been hailed as an extraordinary spectacular achievement. The overwhelming flood that drowned Pharaoh, his horsemen and his chariots is depicted with a realism that is little short of amazing. It is unique among the marvels of the screen.

Mr. Adelqui Millar gives a fine performance as Prince Seti, who sacrifices a throne for the love of a maid of Israel. Miss Maria Corda, pretty and talented, is charming as the maid. Mr. Henry Mar is an impressive Moses. The other rôles, needless to say, are all ably filled.

Lack of space forbids more than the briefest mention of the settings which are massive and artistic in their splendour. Some of them were actually staged in the Valley of the Kings at Luxor where part of the intensely romantic story is laid.

Therefore it will be seen that besides being "a landmark in British screen production," this picture is a masterpiece fit to take its place with the world's supreme cinema efforts, and as such is creating a profound impression in Hongkong.

FOR CHILDREN'S BRUISES.

For "black and blue" bruises, sprains of wrists and ankles, strains of cords and muscles, stubbed toes, cuts, burns and other mishaps of childhood, Chamberlain's Pain Balm always gives relief. Does just as much for older people too. Eases their rheumatic pains, backaches and neuralgia. Just rub it on the sore spots. Sold and recommended everywhere.

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GERMAN CANNIBAL.

HUMAN FLESH AS 'GOAT-MEAT.'

The bonfire made by the police of the effects of the Muensterberg cannibal, Karl Denke, apparently marks the close of the official investigation of the career of this ghoulish monster. The object of the holocaust was to prevent gruesome relics from finding their way into the hands of showmen or morbid collectors. Following the case of the Hapover vampire, Haarmann, that of Denke has left in the public mind an uncomfortable sense that human life is very insecure in Berlin. Muensterberg has only 8,000 inhabitants, and in a town of that size people generally know all about their neighbours' goings and comings. Yet, living in a small jerry-built tenement house, of which he was the owner, Denke murdered his fellow-creatures in his flat with as much unconcern as if he had been wringing the necks of hens or drowning mice caught in a trap. In broad daylight, apparently without any attempt at concealment, he poured their blood down the sink in the courtyard, and carried trays of their flesh to and from the shed in his garden, where he kept it in a pickling vat. No one seems to have been particularly curious as to the errands he undertook to the surrounding woods in the evenings, laden with bulky sacks and other parcels.

Possibly his long immunity was due to his church connections. Some years ago he filled the office of cross-bearer at Evangelical funerals, and he was also for some time organ-blower in the Lutheran Church. These occupations doubtless gave him access to the Evangelical hostel, where he made the acquaintance of travelling journeymen, from amongst whom most of his victims were selected. How many persons he murdered is not likely to become even approximately known. Among his possessions were found fifteen sets of identification papers, in three of which the names had been rendered illegible. The last entry on one of these documents is dated 1905, from which it is inferred that Denke must have commenced his human butchery nearly a score of years ago—he was 58 when his crimes were discovered. On the other hand, evidence indicated that he had killed three men in the last five or six weeks of his life.

It is not surprising to hear that many people in Muensterberg are suffering from "neurasthenic abdominal pains." Practically no doubt has been left that Denke not only devoured human flesh himself, but also sold it in considerable quantities as "goat-meat," which came largely into use in Germany during the war. A particularly horrible detail of his enormities is that, as concluded from the information collected, he usually struck down his victims when they were consuming a dish of the flesh of their predecessors in this grisly fate. Only last autumn a whole wedding party partook of meat which had been supplied by Denke. Thongs of human skin were found put to many different uses in his rooms.

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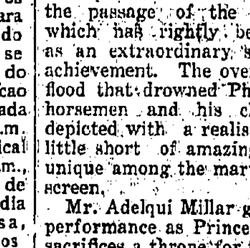

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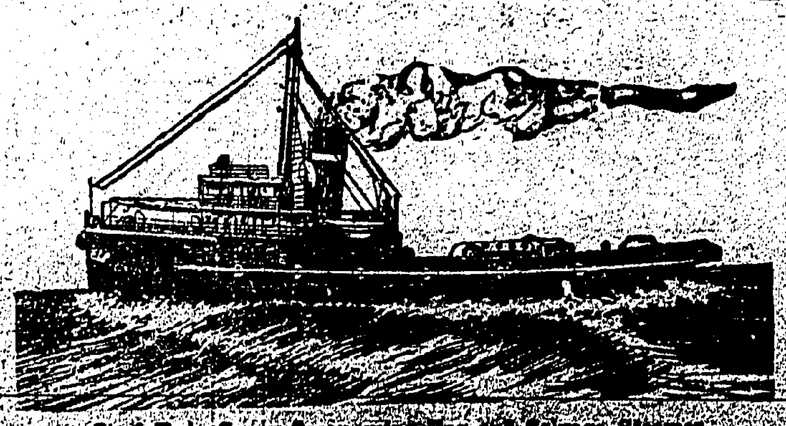

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"MURRAY'S" FAREWELL PERFORMANCES.

Murray, the Australian handcuff king, concludes a four days' engagement at the Queen's Theatre to-night, and those who have not yet watched this clever artist in his amazing Houdini act are advised to see him either at to-day's 5.15 Matinee or to-night at 9.15 p.m. There is also First National picture entitled "The Beautiful Liar" shown in the same programme. Katherine MacDonald, the American beauty, plays two parts in this production and gives further evidence of her consummate skill and artistry.

During the filming of the picture, the dressing room of Miss MacDonald was a veritable fashion show in itself. The array of expensive garments included negligees, evening gowns, street costumes, riding habits and sport clothes. Many of these costumes were purchased for Miss MacDonald in Paris, while New York modistes were kept busy working overtime in order to supply her with the wardrobe for this part in the picture.

INTERPORT DINNER.

The successful crews who recently returned to Hongkong from Manila with the interport rowing cup were entertained to dinner last night at the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, the chair being taken by the Commodore, Capt. T. Arthur.

The Manila flag was broken over the table amidst applause when the company took their seats.

The Chairman proposed the health of the crews in a happy speech and said it was a matter of regret that it did not appear possible to make the interport racing an annual event. If it were not possible for Manila to send to Hongkong and give the Club an opportunity of returning the hospitality extended to their representatives then it was up to Hongkong to send men if at all possible to Manila (hear, hear).

The toasts of the crews and of the two coaches, Mr. F. J. Easterbrook and Dr. Minett, were drunk and the two latter replied, also the stroke of the winning crew, Mr. A. C. Groves the cox., Mr. F. P. Lenfesty and the vice-commodore, Mr. E. W. Carpenter.

Later in proposing the toast of the Manila Boat Club the chairman said he thought their secretary should be asked to write to the club and thank them for the hospitality they had extended to the Hongkong rowing men, a suggestion which was received with applause, the toast being drunk with full musical honours.

During the evening Mr. Groves formally handed over to the Commodore the interport cup which was promptly filled and passed round the table, the Commodore finally emptying it amid cheers.

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PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY'S GREAT SUCCESS.

Most of Sullivan's music is like Shakespeare—full of quotations. Last night's reception of "The Gondoliers" proves again that the old favourites are as potent as ever to charm and to please. "When a merry maiden marries" exquisitely sung by Mrs. Hancock; "Kind Sir," by Mrs. Collett with equal perfection; "Take a Pair of sparkling eyes" by Mr. Wheller who is to be congratulated on his clear enunciation, all earned insistent encores; and the same applied to several of the quartettes, notably the never-hackneyed ""Regular Royal Queen," and "In a contemplative fashion."

The Society, through its Producer, has worthily presented perhaps the most attractive of all the Gilbert and Sullivan operas, in a superb manner. The two scenes of the story are a mass of colour in which the art of Mr. Alexander Clios—remembered for his work in "Saint Joan"—rises to great heights. The dresses also can only be described as magnificent. In attracting the eye the sparkling music soon lulls the senses and the enjoyment is complete.

If we miss several of those who helped "The Yeoman of the Guard" to success, we are glad to welcome, and sincerely acclaim, those who are new to Hongkong musical circles. Mr. W. G. Wheller takes on the dual rôle of Producer and performer—a risky thing to do—but he comes out well in both capacities. He is an excellent tenor Gondolier to the eminently satisfactory impersonation of that of Mr. A. J. Brock who deserves a word of praise for an all-round convincing performance. The same may be said of our old friends Messrs. J. S. Gillingham as the Duke of Plaza-Toro and G. D. Leys as the Grand Inquisitor. Mr. D. M. Richards has little to do, which perhaps is unfortunate but cannot be helped, but does it well. A word is due in praise of Mr. A. P. Glanville who infused the right note at the beginning and led his forces in "The Merriest Fellows" chorus right well. The chorus work of the production is perhaps the strongest feature of the Opera and the ladies and gentlemen comprising the chorus received, as they deserved, a great measure of appreciation. This was particularly the case in the Court scene. Mention of the ladies at the last is not to be taken as meaning that they were deficient in their parts. Mrs. J. Hancock pleases the eye and the ear, sings clearly and sweetly—of all the singers it can be said that what they sing is heard and understood—and acts as if to the manner born. Mrs. Collett is not a whit behind: she has the true Sullivan spirit. Mrs. Mathieson as the Duchess, and Mrs. L. C. F. Bellamy, a welcome addition, are also to be congratulated. The effective work of the orchestra added greatly to the enjoyment and success of the production. Mr. Stanley Collett was confidence itself and his forces readily responded to all the demands made upon them.

The audience, which included the President of the Society (Sir Claud Severn, the Officer Administering the Government) and party, was large and enthusiastic, and at the close there was a remarkable demonstration. It seems a pity that seeing the love and care which has evidently gone to the production, the season should, relatively, be a small one.

The dances were arranged by Mr. W. G. Wheller. The Assistant Stage Manager is Mr. Neil Mathieson. Stage lighting is by Messrs. Derrick and Coles, Mr. J. Hollidge acting as Property Master.

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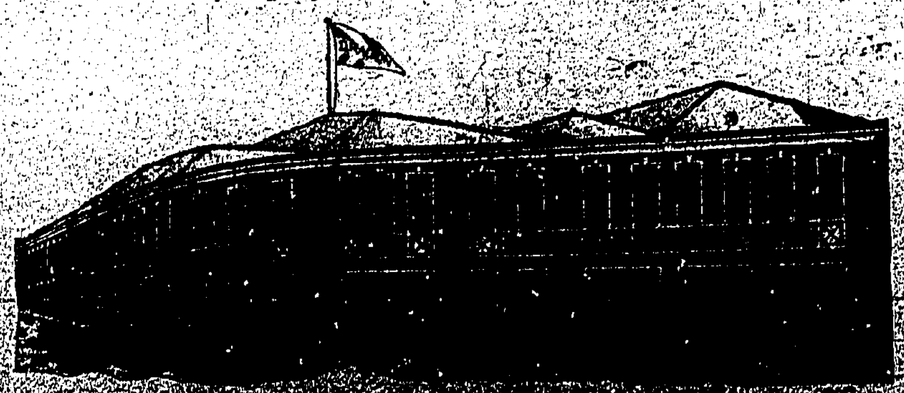

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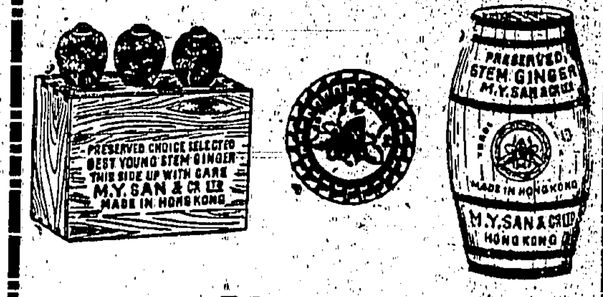

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This interesting group photograph shows the Society with Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., M.A., Vice-Chancellor of the University (middle). On his right is Mr. L. Forster, B.A., (Registrar); left, Prof. J. W. N. Smith, M.A., and Mr. W. L. Handyside, M.A.

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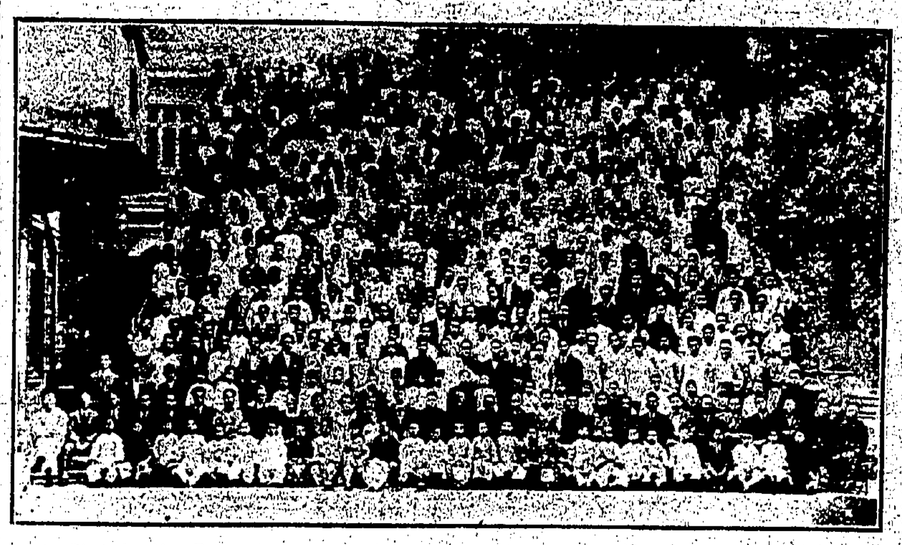

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"Looking back over the past year we cannot feel that merely so much ink was splashed on paper," said the Principal of St. Paul's College (Rev. A. D. Stewart) in his annual report. He is here seen with his staff and boys.

AWAY FROM "WAR'S ALARMS."

Photo by Mee Fong.

General Lau Chen-wan (right), Commander-in-Chief of the Kwangsi Army, is seen at St. Stephen's College Association "At Home" with the wife of the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-son and Mr. James Yatming Lee, organiser of Phœnix Photoplay Corporation.

FOUNDER'S DAY SPORTS.

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Lining up for a tug. Members of St. Stephen's College Association who organised sports on the occasion of Founder's Day.

"Snapped."

Photo by Mee Fong.

Relatives or just friends?—A happy group of interested spectators.

"We Three."

Photo by Mee Fong.

Judging from the badges and the look of responsibility these should be committee men.

"GETTING TOGETHER."

Photo by Mee Fong.

The idea of the meeting was for past and present students to get together, not to find the best winner, said Mr. Ng Sze-kwong, Chairman of the Sports Committee, who is seen making his speech of welcome.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' DINNER.

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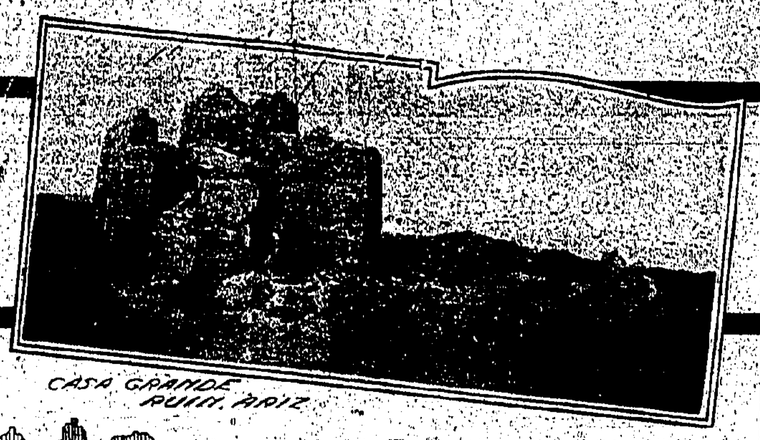

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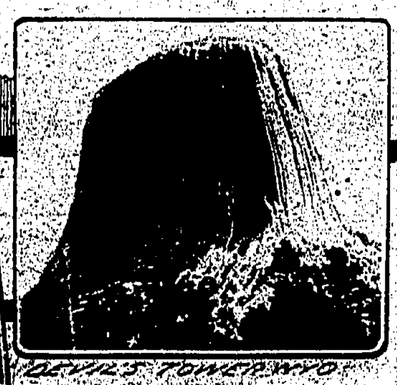

DEVIL'S TOWER, WYO.

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Nature Formed Strange and Fantastic Monuments in the West, Prehistoric Man Added To Many of Them and Traces Are To Be Found To-day.

[By KATHERINE LOUISE SMITH.]

The automobile is making people acquainted with America's Egypt, with the parts that scientists have studied for years and that enthrall with their mystery, the vacant palaces perched on high mesas or in stupendous canyons and the relics of a civilization that goes back no one knows how far. Some of these marvels have been set aside as National Monuments by the Government, some will become National Parks. President Coolidge recently set aside the Carlsbad Caves in New Mexico and has other tracts under consideration, and all through the wind-swept mesas and shadowy gorges there are wonders of nature or strange creations of prehistoric man that are well worth a detour off the main line of travel to see.

"Gibraltar" House.

Come with me for a glimpse of some of these marvels. Just north-west of Mesa Verde Park, near the Colorado-Utah line lies the "Desert Valley," called Hovenweep, studded with prehistoric castles and towers. This district consists of over two hundred acres and contains many multi-chambered and single-roomed towers, cliff and unit type houses. Here are evidences of the life of an unlettered people whose history is forgotten. The Hovenweep beckons the auto visitor to its canyons, ancient community house with fireplaces where food was cooked, and rooms where priests worshipped. The largest ruin is Gibraltar House, which stands erect on a pile of rocks and can be seen for some distance. The roof is gone but enough remains to show entrance and windows. This Gibraltar House and other ruins lie in the midst of a mesquite covered plain. The age of these ruins is unknown but there is reason to believe that settlement in Gibraltar House antedated the cliff dwellers.

Casa Grande.

One glimpse of this strange dwelling of prehistoric times will make you desire to see other wonders of ancient America, so decide to see the Casa Grande or Great House ruin, which is not far from Florence, Arizona. The history of this is little known. But Casa Grande is considered one of the noteworthy relics within the limits of the United States. It was discovered in 1694 by an intrepid Jesuit Father, Fray Kino, a missionary to the Indians, who once said mass within its walls. At about the same time it was seen by a nephew of the Governor of Senora, Mexico, who was sent to protect the missionaries from the Indians. At the time of these visits Casa Grande was probably four stories high, and near it to-day are ruins of other houses. It has been compared to the antiquities of Central America and the Indians still call it the "home of the chief." Custodian Frank Pinkley says that some parts of the village that have been uncovered may have been built four hundred years before Columbus discovered America. It is certain that the soil was cultivated and here as in Gibraltar House the builders had no metallic implements or draft animals.

Aztec Ruins.

Strange, silent monuments of former ages also greet you at the Aztec Ruin National Monument in New Mexico where there is a pueblo type containing five hundred rooms, and in the Yucca House in Colorado on Sleeping Mountain you see other ruins of great archæological value among them the Montezuma Castle of great interest because of its picturesqueness. This structure is different from the Gibraltar House and Casa Grande because it is not built above ground but is an assemblage of cliff dwellings, the principal one being Montezuma's Castle in Yavapai County. Here is another castle that is said to have no equal because, though smaller than the nearby ruins of Chaco canyon, it is better preserved. The Mojave Apache Indians occupied this valley before the white man came but they have no tradition concerning the builders of Montezuma Castle. It is situated in a niche in the face of a vertical cliff 175 feet high. If you are venturesome you can climb the wooden ladders that reach to the Castle, which is built in the form of a crescent. When you get to it you will see the Castle is five stories high, that the walls are of masonry and adobe, that the back of the Castle is formed by the cliff, that the floors are of mud and stone and that twenty-five rooms connected with doorways may be counted. Peep holes are in the walls of the outside rooms. So many centuries have passed since the Castle was built that it is wonderful it has been so well preserved, but Government funds have helped in its preservation.

Bandelier National Monument.

Equally as strange as these prehistoric ruins of Indian civilization is the Bandelier National Monument in New Mexico, which you will immediately associate with the great archæologist Adolph Bandelier. Here is found another type of dwelling. Besides the numerous ruins of many chambered pueblos—some having a hundred rooms—there are strange conical shaped rocks which were hollowed out and used for habitations. They have holes in the apex of roof and apparently did well for dwellings but with no windows it must have been impossible to observe the neighbours' actions. But most interesting of all in this monument are two stone images known as the Stone Lions, each measuring seven feet in length, which are considered by many authorities as being the most important specimens of aboriginal sculpture in the United States. Such images occur in Mexico and Central America but this is the only known instance where they have been found in our own prehistoric remains. Research work in these ruins has been carried on by the American School of Archæology and Smithsonian Institute.

Petrified Forests.

We could go to other odd and curious places but if you care for diversity let us stop at the Petrified National Forests of Arizona, which we reach by auto from the railroad. There is an abundance of petrified coniferous trees which lie scattered about, none erect, and the theory is that they were once growing beside an inland sea and during decomposition—after they had fallen—the cell structure was derived from sandstone. At any rate you can drive through four forests and see highly coloured and beautiful specimens which look like onyx, opals, and agate. You will surely want to stand on a Natural Bridge, formed by a tree spanning a canyon—a bridge, as places looks like precious stones.

Natural Bridges.

Some one who sees you do this will surely ask if you have seen the three Natural Bridges in South-eastern Utah and if you are accustomed to the hardships in camping, and like horseback travel you will straightway want to go to these three stupendous Natural Bridges, the "Augusta," Kachina, and Owachomo. These are entirely different from other Natural Bridges in America and spring from the walls of White Canyon as the result of stream erosion. They are within a space of five miles. The largest bridge is 222 feet high, with an arch 42 feet wide. It is sixty-five feet thick at the top. The two other bridges are somewhat smaller. Efforts are being made to have a good road to these remarkable bridges but now a hard journey is required. In spite of this many people visit them outfitting with a pack train after leaving the railroad or automobile. The Rainbow Bridge, another natural curiosity is in the same section of the country and some day an auto road will connect it with the three natural bridges.

Wheeler National Monument.

Of an entirely different character is the Wheeler National Monument which you approach through Wagon Wheel Gap and which is of great interest because of eccentric erosion and extinct volcanic action. There are some three hundred acres here traversed by deep canyons with precipitous sides and in them are strange formations. Some fantastic forms show pinnacles and other shapes. It is thought John C. Fremont and his party in 1848 reached this country when disaster overtook them for skeletons of mules and camping equipment have been found. The difficulty of reaching this Monument makes one hesitate, but some day it will be counted one of the sights of America. It is named after one of our United States engineers, who was in charge of geographical explorations in Colorado.

The Devil's Tower.

Before we stop our little journey to see some of the queer sights of Western America let us take a peep at the famous Devil's Tower in Wyoming, eighty miles from Deadwood and near the Black Hills. This remarkable rock is 1,200 feet high and is of volcanic origin. It is so high that it can be seen for twenty miles away and there are those who boast they have seen it on a clear day one hundred miles away. The Tower part shoots up eight hundred feet and it is three and a half miles around the base. No wonder the Indians for centuries directed their course by reference to this lofty landmark and white pioneers from Vermont, the dry pathfinder of the French, to officers in Indian wars directed their marches by this towering beacon. It is said the Tower has been scaled only once and then by a man who spent months preparing ladders, but it is well worth a visit and is one of the notable features of the Black Hills region.

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The supporting cast in this picture are Clara Bow, the beautiful young star who played the leading rôles in "Down to the sea in Ships" and Maytime" the two biggest 1924 screen productions, Edward Everet Horton whose popularity is now at the peak of his highly successful screen career, Claire Adams, a member of screen priority who has big fans following, Richard Tucker who enjoys a distinguished success in a number of the motion picture industry's scenic achievements.

"THE GAIETY GIRL."

Given a strange conflict of human loves and human motives, a spectacular locale in the glitter of London's Gaiety Music Hall, the Ritz, and the gilded cafés, as contrasted to the majestic somnolence of an ancient British castle, home of royalty, and its musty traditions, and Universal turned out a masterpiece. But of course—they had Mary Philbin, too.

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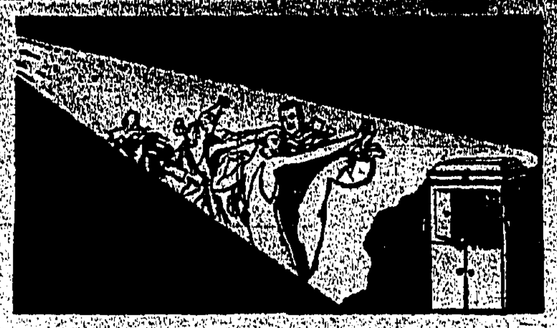

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PROSAIC HONGKONG.

At Home the question of taxing betting has again arisen. Those who bet, it is urged, should be made to pay for the privilege. The privilege of losing or winning money—merally the former in the case of a great number of people. The Government has hedged. The old evangelical instinct prevails: betting is gambling, and gambling is evil. In Hongkong no one bets. We think of a number, and $45 sees us through a series of eight races. If we lose our money it is "rotten luck": if we win it is but our just due—all too long deferred. This is a respectable way. Even our Brokers can participate in such a harmless method without their immaculate self-respect being outraged. And we can do this without venturing our presence, unless our clothes warrant it, in the "enclosure" at Happy Valley. There, no raucous-voiced bellicose, adipose gentlemen invite us to patronise "the old firm." It is all done in decency and in order. We take a "flutter" or two at what perhaps Parisians would call the "nuptials" and "conciliabule"—a

they do in novels—watch the progress of the "horses" towards the winning post, flinging away our tickets with that grace and abandon which would surely have excited the late Nat Gould and prompted him to write a novel round us: "The Hongkong Sport, or the Haunted Valley" ..... Enough. Whilst we continue as we do, the terrors of Lady Astor's tongue are far from us. No one as yet pawns his last shirt and bides in his room awaiting the result of the principal race with a cup of poison and a loaded revolver at hand. We take our losings, and perhaps our winnings, very sadly. Vive les race meetings!

Fifteen Per Cent.

We are inclined to think this Rents Ordinance business has been badly handled. We question if it has been "good business" to divulge at this stage what the recommendation of the appointed Committee is to be. It pleases no one—certainly not the landlord class. The tenant class will only regard it as the "thin end." The Chairman of the Committee is said to have received at least a thousand letters. In the space of a fortnight these have been read, tabulated, many of them translated, and the whole, presumably considered by the Committee. Such a strenuous, herculean, supermen accomplishment leaves us amazed—we do not say amused—the matter is too serious. A thousand letters does not convey the united feeling on this particular subject. The proposed fifteen per cent., it is safe to say, does, or is likely to do. In a simple understandable phrase it is neither fish, flesh, fowl, or good red herring—although it smacks of a red herring! The Rents Ordinance should be renewed in its entirety without any fifteen per cent. frills. Machinery should be set up to deal with cases of hardship—or where property owners feel they have a grievance. This is only fair and is simplicity itself. Why not be simple—and sincere?

Rents Queries.

The reader of yesterday's interviews with representative landlords must have noted with inter-

else effects of the 15 per cent. increase recommended for payment to them. The impression in the minds of most readers was probably the thought that for the unfortunate sub-tenant falls once more the lot of paying. One of the landlords put it in so many words himself in placing at the door of the principal tenant the cause of all the trouble. His condemnation of the tenant who charges for furniture in a furnished flat on the basis of paying for that furniture after the receipt of a year or so's rent is praiseworthy, and he was no doubt actuated by the best of motives in so expressing himself. But here is the point which will occur to many who read the figures given to show that the increase in cost of repairs will more than eat up the increase of rent the landlords will be allowed to charge if the Rents Committee's recommendations go through—will the sub-tenant be any better off than he is now if control were removed and the landlord had full power over his property? If a 15 per cent. increase is not considered sufficient by the landlords then would not the position of the sub-tenant be very much that of the fish which jumped out of the frying pan into the fire?

"A Superior Purzon."

The earlier characteristics of the grand manner, which made him a somewhat lofty undergraduate, were maintained by Lord Curzon to the last. It was his superior, aristocratic manner which made him perhaps the most perfect Indian Viceroy that England has ever sent to her distant possession. He was indeed the King's representative to a resplendent degree. But the manner seems to have had its drawbacks. As Foreign Secretary in a former Administration, it is alleged this inherent sense of superiority did more harm than good when it came to negotiating with democratic, hard-headed types of socialism in a world made different by the Great War. But let not this detract from any word concerning his services to his country. He was of Irish extraction, and the temperament of those from Ireland is ever vivid and forceful. He served in different posts in all of which his great and natural gifts were brought into play. His services to literature must also be taken into account. Early in life it was permitted him to travel the world. His sketches of these travels are in existence proving that what politics gained, literature lost. As a speaker his superior manners were again in evidence, but the writer of this short note remembers listening with a held interest to his rounded periods in a speech of faultless English to a crowded audience which doubtless held not a few opponents to his political line of thought.

VISITING HONGKONG.

"GRENFELL OF LABRADOR" HERE.

An interesting visitor to the Colony is Dr. W. T. Grenfell, M.D., C.M.G., "Grenfell of Labrador" as he is popularly called.

Dr. Grenfell was educated at Marlborough, Oxford, and the London Hospital, where he was house surgeon to the late Sir Frederick Treves. At Oxford he played Rugby football for the University.

Dr. Grenfell fitted out the first hospital ship for the North Sea fisheries and cruised with the fishermen from the Bay of Biscay to Iceland. He went to Labrador in 1892 where he built four hospitals, a series of co-operative stores, an orphanage and a school, and started numerous small industrial schemes; in 1912 he opened in St. John's, Newfoundland, the King George the Fifth Seamen's Institute, the money for which he had raised during the previous ten years.

Dr. Grenfell is well known as a writer. His best known books are Adrift on a Pack of Ice, the Autobiography of a Labrador Doctor, Tales of Labrador, and Labrador Days. He has written many articles and monographs on deep sea fisheries, fishermen, and work among them.

With the consent of the Bishop of Victoria, Dr. Grenfell will speak at the Cathedral on Sunday morning next, March 22, at 11 a.m. and at St. Andrew's, Kowloon, at 6 p.m.

CRAMPS IN THE STOMACH

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WHITE FOR SORROW.

HONGKONG FUNERAL PROCESSIONS.

CURIOUS CHINESE CUSTOMS.

Giant Images to Scare Away Evil Spirits.

How many Europeans can distinguish a funeral procession from a wedding procession without looking at the tail-end to see whether a coffin or a bridal chair is following behind?

Just as the Chancellor of the Exchequer receives a windfall when the very rich die, so does the Hongkong caterer for funeral paraphernalia reap his harvest when he organises a monster procession to accompany the remains of some wealthy personage to the last resting place.

THE MAGNIFICENT BIER OF A CHINESE FUNERAL.

Photo by Mee Fong.

Sometimes as many as twenty-four bearers carry the bier in a Chinese funeral procession.

It is not uncommon for Chinese to make special provision in their wills for a funeral and the ceremonies immediately following. Social position, official rank and affluence are all denoted in the funeral. In the days of the monarchy, a mandarin's funeral would always be preceded by a number of boards setting forth his rank and titles. Even to-day, some of these boards with only courtesy titles given for payment of money, are brought out in all their glory.

Instead of floral tributes, friends and relatives send scrolls with characters extolling the virtues of the deceased person. Latterly, with the advent of western influence, the custom is changing. Flowers, wreaths and scrolls of white cloth are gradually taking the place of valuable pieces of silk.

Some of the coffins are very costly, as much as $1,000 or more being paid for those made of precious hardwood from distant lands. Twenty-four is about the maximum number of bearers that can share the carrying of the coffin—numbers being another reflection of wealth. In the top picture reproduced will be seen a rack covered with valuable tapestries of all colours. Standing on a small platform in front of the coffin that bears aloft the "Spirit Paper" (Hell Money) which is to be burnt at the grave, are two pretty Chinese damsels, dressed to personify female sanctities who supposedly pave the way for a smooth passage to heaven.

In front of the coffin is a man in a long white gown, holding in his hands a pole supporting the end of a long white curtain. He is a "tong kwoon"—a sort of master of ceremonies at funerals, weddings, and other celebrations or services—who cultivates an effeminate bearing to be successful at his profession. Concealed from the public eye are the principal mourners who walk along inside the curtains of white cloth.

Our second picture shows the giant images which are borne along in front of a funeral to drive away evil spirits. The first is a warrior deity and the second a monk or eunuch. These are only seen in the biggest processions. Occupying a leading position in a funeral are two large oil-paper lanterns on which are painted the surname of the family and the dead person's age. It is a fixed custom to add three years to the real age.

Draped in sackcloth are the principal mourners to be seen in the third photograph. Defying the public gaze, these are walking along in compliance with immemorial custom all dressed in white. It is only the immediate relatives who don the sackcloth. This is a custom also to some extent in this direction, namely, that the only males to be seen in the procession are relatives, and in the case of a married woman, her husband and children. Her male relatives are not seen.

SCARING AWAY EVIL SPIRITS.

Photo by Mee Fong.

Giant images which often form a part of Chinese funeral processions.

WAILING AND LAMENTATION.

Photo by Mee Fong.

Mourners dressed in white, China's mourning colour.

PATH OF DEATH.

TORNADO'S FEARFUL HAVOC.

TERRIBLE FIVE MINUTES.

Small Towns That Were Wiped Out.

Fearful havoc was wrought by the tornado which swept across Southern Illinois in little more than five minutes.

FLATTENED LIKE PANCAKES

(Reuter's American Service.)

Springfield, March 20.

All the resources of the Red Cross Society have been placed at the disposal of the victims in the tornado, which appears to have lasted scarcely five minutes. It occurred in the middle of the afternoon when schools, shops and factories were full, with the result that buildings were razed like pancakes and buried the victims in the burning ruins. An eye-witness, graphically describing the vast tableau of death and destruction, says that the firemen realised the hopelessness of coping with the flames, forsook their hoses and turned their attention to rescue. He mentions the curious effect that every tree and fence which was left standing, was bedecked with garments and bed clothing entangled therein.

Mountains of Debris.

Chicago, March 20.

Between rows of dead, many of whom are school children and some babies, long queues of people from the tornado zone passed yesterday through improvised mortuaries searching for missing relatives and friends, while rescuers delved incessantly into the mountains of debris under the glare of searchlights and bonfires, hoping to find survivors or extricating dead.

The havoc along the course of the tornado from Missouri to Indiana is awful. Some small towns have virtually been obliterated.

Entire blocks of buildings in the larger places have been levelled.

Fires broke out in many places, increasing the horror of the situation.

Heavy Death Roll.

Deaths are estimated still at well over 800 with three thousand injured, many perhaps fatally.

It is impossible yet to attempt to estimate the damage done, but it will certainly reach millions of dollars.

Relief work is proceeding everywhere under the control of the federal and state governments, and the Red Cross. Soldiers are patrolling the various places.

It is feared that disease, especially tetanus, may break out in the stricken districts. The Red Cross has asked that 600 tubes of anti-tetanus serum be despatched by aeroplane to Murphysboro without delay.

NEW FIELD MARSHAL.

GENERAL BIRDWOOD PROMOTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 20.

It is officially announced that General Sir William Birdwood has been promoted to Field Marshal and appointed to succeed Lord Rawlinson as Commander-in-Chief of India.

[General Sir William Birdwood, G.C.B., General Officer commanding-in-chief the Northern Army in India from 1920 to 1924, has had a distinguished career, chiefly in India. He was General Officer Commanding the Australian Imperial Forces from 1915 to 1920. General Lord Rawlinson has been Commander-in-Chief of the Army in India since 1920.]

LORD LURZON.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY SERVICE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 20.

Lord Curzon will be buried at Kedleston on March 26.

A funeral service is being held in Westminster Abbey on March 25.

BOAT RACE.

LIGHT BLUES' COACH MOST PLEASED.

FULL COURSE TRIAL.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, March 20.

Cambridge rowed a full-course trial to-day in 19 minutes, 30 seconds.

Conditions were good with a following wind and slight rain.

The boat shot past Hammersmith Bridge in 11 minutes, 15 seconds. They spurted towards Putney Bridge and finished fresh and not fatigued. The coach was most pleased.

Oxford watched from Blake's Wharf and are due for a full-course trial to morrow.

[The annual "Battle of the Blues" is to take place next Saturday, March 28. From the meagre advice to hand, the Light Blues are favourites this year.]

Paris, March 20.—The Chinese general, Hau, accompanied by Cheng Loh, visited the Le Bourget aerodrome.—Havas.

COMPANY MEETING.

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SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

Mr. H. Humphreys presided at to-day's annual meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. held at the Hongkong Hotel. Others present were Messrs. J. Scott Harston, H. P. White and J. A. Tarrant, secretary; also the following shareholders:—Messrs. H. W. Bird, G. W. Sewell, J. M. Alves, J. D. Humphreys, F. W. Stapleton, D. E. Clarke, W. Wilson, W. Morley and J. M. Wong.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

Gentlemen,—I propose with your permission to take the Report, Statement of Accounts and Auditors' Report as read.

The net profit for the year under review is $137,499.44 less than that of the previous year. Last year you may remember we made a profit of $61,834.00 on the sale of our Stanley Street Warehouse, a profit which obviously is non-recurrent. The strike in Canton last year and the floods in the West River Delta very seriously affected the profits of our Shameen branch. When these circumstances are taken into consideration, the profits for the twelve months ended October 31, 1924, do not fall much below those of the previous year, which, it must be borne in mind, was easily a record one in the history of the Company. The only items in the accounts which appear to me to call for special comment are the large increases under the headings of Total Stocks in Trade and Land at Honam, Canton. As regards the former, the Canton strike is largely if not entirely responsible. In order to cope with the expanding business of our Canton branch, we ordered more largely than usual for their requirements, which, owing to the strike, resulted in a lock up of stocks that were not needed. However, these stocks will be utilised this year, and enable us to reduce our indents. As regards the latter, the addition of $45,700.75 is represented by final payment for land of $35,700.75 and first payment on account of bunding and filling of $10,000.

The alterations at our North Point Factory in Hongkong involved demolishing a large sorting shed and the $20,000 we propose writing off Marine Lot No. 293 represents in round figures the approximate value of the sorting shed.

I trust the appropriations to Reserve Fund, Staff Provident Fund and Chinese Staff Superannuation Fund meet with your approval.

I have no further remarks to make, Gentlemen, and I now propose that the Report and Statement of Accounts as presented be passed. When the motion is duly seconded, I shall be pleased to answer any questions shareholders may have to ask.

Mr. H. W. Bird seconded the adoption of the report and accounts which were passed unanimously.

Sir Paul Chater, Mr. J. Scott Harston and Mr. H. P. White retired automatically as directors and were re-appointed on the proposition of the Chairman seconded by Mr. J. M. Alves.

Messrs. C. Bernard Brown and H. Greenwood were re-appointed auditors on the proposition of Mr. D. E. Clarke seconded by Mr. F. W. Stapleton.

WILD UPROAR.

FRENCH CHAMBER SCENES.

FIGHT WITH FISTS.

"GRAVE INSULT TO WHOLE OF CHRISTENDOM."

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, March 20.

In the Chamber of Deputies this evening scenes of almost unparalleled violence, in which deputies freely indulged in fisticuffs, ended the hitherto most orderly debate on the withdrawal of the embassy at the Vatican.

The sitting was suspended.

The trouble arose out of M. Herriot's statement in winding up the debate in admitting the good work Catholicism had done in the past and adding: "Then it was pure Catholicism not the bankers' Catholicism of to-day."

On the resumption of the debate the Rightist Marquis de Ferronays, who protested that the Premier's remark was a grave insult to the whole of Christendom, was ordered to leave the Chamber.

When he refused the uproar was renewed and the sitting was again suspended.

Subsequently the Marquis left accompanied by his friends singing the "Marseillaise."

PREMIER'S WARNING.

On the further resumption of the debate M. Herriot was able to conclude his speech without interruption. He declaimed against the Cardinal's recent denunciation of the Government's laicity laws which precipitated the debate and declared the prelates spoke of violating the law. The Government would protect religion that confined itself to its spiritual mission.

M. Herriot warned the Rightists, "false Republicans," not to touch the laicity laws.

Subsequently the chamber passed a vote-of-confidence in the Government by 325 to 251 votes.

INDIA'S SALT TAX.

COUNCIL OF STATE'S DECISION.

(Reuter's Service.)

DELHI, March 20.

The Council of State discussing the Finance Bill carried by 35 to 4 votes an amendment restoring the salt tax of one rupee and four annas.

The bill now returns to the Assembly where the Amendment is likely to be approved.

KOREANS' ATTACK.

JAPANESE POLICEMEN KILLED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, March 20.

It is officially reported from Seoul that five policemen were killed and two injured yesterday morning as a result of an attack on police stations at the northern frontier of Korea by a party of sixty Korean malcontents who crossed the Yalu River.

ANOTHER DISASTER.

WEST YUNNAN EARTHQUAKE.

TOWN DESTROYED.

(Reuter's Service.)

SHANGHAI, March 20.

The China Inland Mission has received a telegram from Talifu, West Yunnan, dated March 19, stating that Talifu was destroyed by an earthquake, followed by a disastrous fire.

Help is urgently needed. The foreigners are safe.

HEALTH CRUISE.

KING AND QUEEN AT GENOA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Genoa, March 20.

The King and Queen have arrived well and have embarked on their yacht.

CORRESPONDENCE.

SENTENCE CRITICISED.

(To the Editor of the China Mail).

Sir,—It is somewhat amusing to read of the sentence imposed on the soldier for damaging a tailor's property at Spring Garden Lane in the recent case brought before the Central Magistrate, namely 50 cents, the bare cost of an electric bulb—the damaged property in question.

Recently Hongkong has experienced a great deal of trouble of this kind and it is to be regretted that Magistrates take such a lenient view of the offences when the culprits are arraigned before them. In the case in question, the imposition of a fine covering the intrinsic value of the damaged property without considering the seriousness of the offence of unwarranted entry into the premises would far from acting as a deterrent, be an inducement to others of his ilk to repeat such acts with impunity.

Unless some drastic punishment is meted out to these offenders the safety and privacy of householders in Hongkong would be imperilled and it is to be hoped therefore that those who dispense the law will take a more serious view of these offences.

Yours etc.,

A CITIZEN.

Hongkong, March 19.

LORD CURZON DEAD.

NOTABLE CAREER ENDED.

FORMER INDIAN VICEROY.

"One of the Greatest Englishmen of His Day."

A Reuter cable from London announces the death of Lord Curzon, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House of Lords.

"One of the greatest Englishmen of his day" was the description given by the Earl of Birkenhead to George Nathaniel Curzon, K.G., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., M.A., P.C., F.R.S., D.C.L., LL.D., J.P., D.L., Marquess Curzon, Baron Scarsdale, Baron Ravensdale, Viscount Scarsdale, Earl Curzon of Kedleston, and Earl of Kedleston, who was born on January 11, 1859, and was thus 66 years of age. He had a career of the utmost possible distinction.

The briefest summary of his activities and of the offices which he held will make this abundantly plain. His career at Oxford was one of almost unbroken successes. The Lothian and the Arnold Prizes rewarded his efforts as an essayist, and a Fellowship of All Souls College crowned a series of academic successes, which was only marred by his failure to obtain a first class in Greats. He was President of the Oxford Union in 1880. In 1885 he was appointed assistant private secretary to the late Lord Salisbury, and later he acted as correspondent of "The Times" in the East.

From 1891-2 he was Under-Secretary of State for India, and from 1895-8 Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. From 1899-1905 he was Viceroy of India.

Of his term as Viceroy the "Times," in a clever character sketch, said, inter alia:—

"He had every qualification that knowledge and study could give him for the highest post in Asia; character, too, enormous industry, and an intellectual conscientiousness as sensitive to a mistake as to a wound. Above all, he had the loftiest ideal of Imperial duty. He became Viceroy of India at 39, and the country was proud to send a Viceroy with so many qualifications. At last an expert was called to government.

"And yet when all is said the Viceroyalty was the end of an old epoch, and it was reserved for others to begin the new. The very virtues of his government threw into bolder relief the discovery that even in the East the days were gone by when any people will be content to let any other play the part of an earthly providence to them.

"No one went to India from England knowing so much as Lord Curzon; yet of the new chapters in the British history of Asia, one was begun by a very Western Liberal, Lord Morley, another by a doctrinaire Jew, yet another by Mark Sykes and a handful of British officers, a fourth, and yet a fifth chapter, in Egypt, by Lord Milner, that in Palestine by one of the Cecil family. From Lord Curzon nothing new, nothing of the future. Indian Imperialism in fact ended with his Viceroyalty, or rather would have done if some of it had not escaped and run amok in Mesopotamia."

Lord Curzon's attitude upon the original Die-Hard controversy of 1910 does not perhaps fill one of the most shining pages in his biography. The Lords were threatened, it will be recalled, with a creation of Peers in numbers adequate to overcome the majority as displayed in the divisioned lobby. The proposal was a constitutional indecency; it was—and is now known to have been—a bluff. And at the outset Lord Curzon thundered against it in his most sonorous and elegant manner. "Let them create their peers," he cried; "we are not to be driven from our duty by threats." The gesture was sublime, the courage admirable, and many recruits flocked to the standard thus manfully unfurled. Lord Curzon became the leader of the party of surrender. Speeches, letters to the Times, articles followed like snowflakes in numbering succession. The result justified Curzon's view.

It was not till the Coalition was formed during the war that he again held an official post. He was Lord Privy Seal during 1915-16, President of the Air Board 1916, Lord President of the Council 1916-19, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and, since the downfall of the Labour Ministry, Lord President of the Council and leader of the House of Lords.

It is hardly possible to speak with too much praise of Lord Curzon's work during the war. It was unceasing, devoted, and courageous; no task was ever placed upon him which he was unwilling to undertake; and he never lost his belief in the national cause at its darkest moments.

The Peace negotiations inevitably deprived him of a large measure of the authority which a Foreign Minister would ordinarily enjoy. And a long series of later conferences, which from time to time became necessary, raised issues which had become too grave, and too cosmopolitan to be dealt with by any particular department. And it must also be remembered that some at least of the struggles in which he failed were determined by the swaying Russian struggle and by the Bolshevist triumph—be it fugitive or lasting—which ultimately emerged. Seldom has a Foreign Secretary been able to move with more restricted range within the ambit of that dignified building.

Brilliantly gifted by nature, Lord Curzon always worked immensely hard, and his knowledge is profound and accurate.

His first wife, whom he married in 1895 and who died in 1906, was the beautiful Mary Leiter, of Chicago, by whom he had three daughters, and his second wife, whom he married in 1917, was the beautiful Mrs. Duggan, of Buenos Aires.

He was certainly a man with full sense of his own dignity. When at Oxford his grand manner induced a wag to write to him:

My name is George Nathaniel Curzon,
I am a most superior person;
My hair is sleek, and smooth my cheek,
I dine at Blenheim twice a week.

Lord Curzon was pursued by that verse all his life.

The heir to the Viscounty is Richard N. Curzon, his nephew, who is 27 years of age; the heiress to the Barony is his eldest daughter, Lady Mary Irene Curzon; and there is no heir to the Marquisate.

COMPANY REPORT.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

After paying all running expenses, docking charges, premia of insurance, allowances for leave and pensions of the floating staff and writing off $70,000 for depreciation of the steamers and other properties for the year, there remains a balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account of $80,319.27 which subject to the approval of shareholders it is proposed to deal with as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 8 per cent. ($4 per share)	$80,000.00
To transfer to Reserve Fund	319.27
	$80,319.27

$25,000 has transferred from the Reserve Fund for special repairs, and the installation of second class accommodation in s.s. Haihong and alterations to steamers to conform with the Piracy Prevention Regulations.

Minor accidents to steamers Haicheng and Haiyang necessitated the withdrawal of $12,520.73 from the Company's underwriting account to meet the cost of the necessary repairs.

Consulting Committee: — Mr. D. G. M. Bernard resigned from the Committee on his departure for home and Mr. R. D. F. Beith was invited to fill the vacancy. Mr. Mackie also resigned and the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang has been asked to fill his place.

The Committee now consists of Mr. R. D. F. Beith, Mr. W. E. Clarke and the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang who retire but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead and Davis, who retire and offer themselves for re-election.

SUGAR PRICES.

Yesterday's Nam Pak Hong quotations for Java sugar, basis usual guild terms per picul, were as follow:—

No. 24 rough white, "spot," $10.63.

No. 18 rough brown, "spot," $9.03.

No. 24 rough white, delivery in June, $9.93. Delivery in July, $9.73. Delivery in August/September $9.63.

Java quotations per picul, were as follow:—

No. 24 rough white, "spot," Guilders 13.75. Delivery in June, Guilders 12.25. Delivery in July, Guilders 12.00. Delivery in August, Guilders 11.75. Delivery in September, Guilders 11.625.

The above quotations show considerable improvement as compared with two or three weeks ago.

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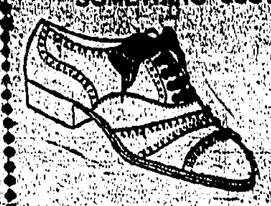

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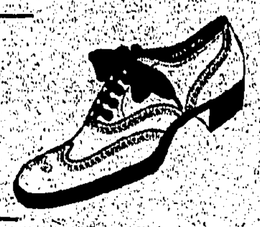

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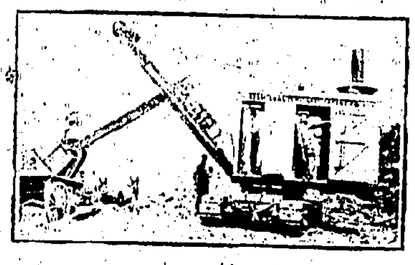

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"Homage to Her Majesty of England."

Queen Mary is seen outside the west door of Norwich Cathedral with the Bishop and Dean of Norwich, after having attended the dedication of the restored stone of the Bishop's throne.

Opium Trade.

Dr. Herluf Zahle, of Denmark, was elected President of the Impartial Joint Opium Commission, at Geneva, to investigate and study for the suppression of opium use in the British Eastern possessions. Britain has consented to the commission and its programme. All reports are to be made public.

Tribute to a Great Man.

Bryant Baker, well-known sculptor, is seen with his heroic bust of President Wilson, which was exhibited at the Woodrow Wilson Birthday Anniversary Dinner, when Viscount Cecil was presented with the Woodrow Wilson Foundation's peace award.

Jacques Bainville, famous foreign editor of "Liberte," Paris newspaper, says that France should not pay any of her war debts until the amount of Germany's indebtedness has been paid off.

Royal Princess' Museum Unearthed.

Here is the site of Ur of the Chaldees, where the joint archaeological expedition of the British Museum and the University of Pennsylvania has just unearthed a museum, the property of the daughter of the King of Babylon, who ruled in the Sixth Century, B.C., and uncovered many priceless relics.

Sir Reginald Bacon, whose book the "Jutland Scandal," has aroused all England, with its criticism of the way the Jutland battle was fought. The book largely aims at Lord Beatty, First Lord of the Admiralty, who is blamed for most of the trouble.

Man Who Found South Pole.

Captain Roald Amundsen, discoverer of the South Pole, points to the northern goal he hopes to reach by aeroplane.

Greatest Runner.

Paavo Nurmi, 26-year-old Finnish speed marvel, holds ten world's records at distances ranging from 1,500 metres to seven miles and in the past two years has exhibited speed and endurance that has given him an unprecedented place in athletic history. He has not suffered defeat since 1920, when he lost the Olympic 5,000 metre race to Guillemot of France. At the last Olympics he won four races, beating Willie Ritola by a yard in the 5,000 metre on the same day that he also won the 1,500.

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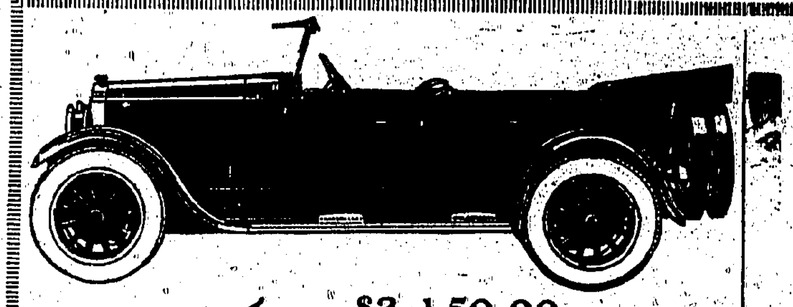

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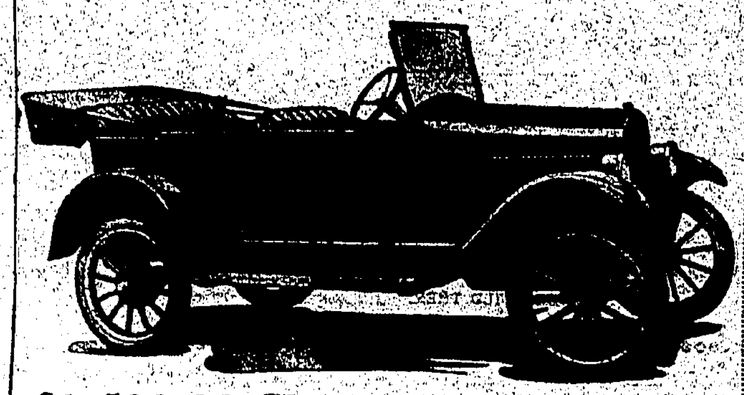

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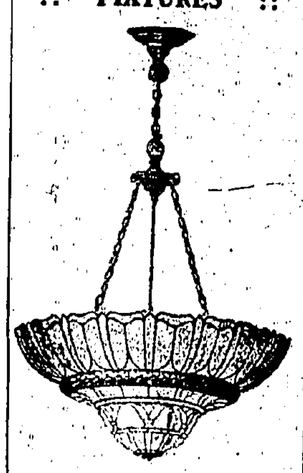

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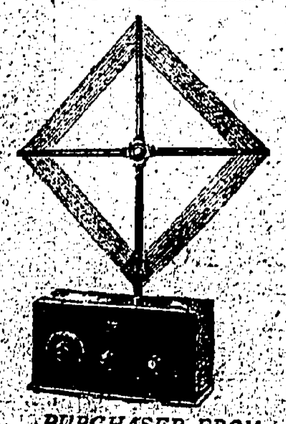

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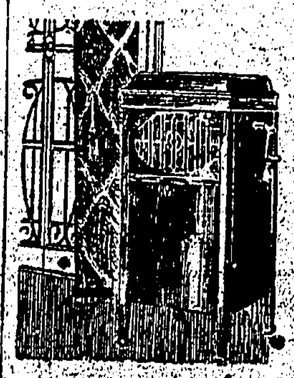

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A recent lecture in Shanghai was entitled: "What does regeneration mean."

Shanghai's second race meeting takes place to-day; the third on Saturday next.

For the 24 hours ended Thursday last 3 cases of small-pox were reported; one of enteric fever and one of cerebro-spinal fever—all Chinese.

Scotland versus China is to-day's match in the "Sunday Herald" Charity Cup contest. The game will be played on the Club ground at 4.30 p.m.

According to the Chinese press the value of Fengtien notes are depreciating and a financial crisis is expected in the Three Eastern Provinces.

The Civil Governor of Chihli has ordered the people of his province to prepare each to plant a tree on Ching-ming (formerly Pure Brightness but now less picturesquely "Arbor Day.")

General Sun Chuan-fang has transported a number of soldiers from Fukien into Chekiang province. They have been distributed to Ningpo and Shaoshing to be stationed there.

The German Theatrical Society, Shanghai, are the latest in the field to stop the evil of late-coming to the Theatre. At their recent performance of "Filiom," latecomers were not allowed to enter until after the first scene.

Here are a number of the best "bowlers" examination papers have recently given me, writes a schoolmaster:

Ambiguity is telling the truth when you don't mean to.

A Duke without a Duchy means a Duke without a wife.

Hall Caine is a maker of cricket bats (All cane).

I have a chicken which is a cripple, having a desolated leg.

Mr. J. T. Pratt at the Shanghai M. C. L. Bazaar referred to the number of charities helped by the M.C.L. and then brought up the subject of child labour in China and how the children could help to have the resolutions having to do with the improvement of child labour conditions passed. "Apathy," said Mr. Pratt, "is one of the greatest enemies to the advancement of mankind with which we have to contend."

Says John Bull:—The Wembley authorities are stubbornly blind to the lessons of experience. We greatly fear that even ricsha rides will not adequately compensate for the lack of Sunday opening and a shilling entrance fee!

General Chang Chung-chang and Mr. Cheng Chien, commander of forces for bandit suppression in Kiangsu, Anhwei and Shantung and Civil Governor of Kiangsu respectively, who are expected to start their journey southward together, had a private conference, in Peking, and agreed that the former should withdraw a part of his troops from Kiangsu, while the latter be responsible for a military fund of $600,000 every month.—Sin Wan Pao.

The Fowlerton Club, Shanghai, held a housewarming in the new club quarters in the "North China Daily News" building, the occasion being fittingly celebrated during the evening. There was a billiards exhibition between Messrs. Porter and Pennell, who played fine billiards. There was also a musical programme, with Melsa, the noted violinist, and Herbert Cave, tenor, in the leading roles. Messrs. Mollison, Morrison, Stormes, and Chrimes also entertained the members. The new club rooms are tastily furnished and decorated, with a fine large billiard room, lounge, buffet and reading room.

The officers and members of the Shanghai Horticultural Society, at their annual meeting decided not to hold an exhibition this year, as in former years; a decision that was influenced by lack of public support for the Society's last Rose Show. It was announced, however, that members could compete for prizes in the National Rose Society, which had become affiliated. Sir Skinner Turner, president, presided, the Hon. Secretary's report for the year was adopted, after which Sir Skinner proposed the name of Mr. Sydney Barton, H.B.M., Consul-General, as president, and this nomination was accepted. Mr. J. MacGregor, Hon. Secretary, and Mr. E. J. Cornfoot, Hon. Treasurer, were re-elected. Messrs. H. A. MacIntyre, A. P. Nazer, A. T. Downie, and Way Yu-ding were chosen to serve on the Committee for the year. Mr. A. P. Nye thanked Sir Skinner Turner for his work as President over the two year period just closed. Among those present at the meeting was Mrs. M. V. Drummond, a member of the Society since 1877.

It is ordered in the "Gazette" that the Rents Ordinance shall not apply to No. 66, Queen's Road West and No. 5, Sui Wa Terrace.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce is to be held on Monday next in the City Hall at 4 p.m.

Under the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, H.E. the Governor has proclaimed Hoihow a place at which an infectious or contagious disease prevails.

New postage rates to Sarre Territory, French Togoland, Germany, Gold Coast Colony and Sierra Leone (all via London) are announced in the current issue of the "Gazette."

H.E. the Governor has appointed Mr. John Owen Hughes to be a member of the Licensing Board for a period of three years, with effect from March 20, 1925.

Moy Sing-lee, of Ashley-road, Southport, died from burns received at his laundry, where a candle set his clothing on fire. His brother was burned in trying to put out the flames.

It is notified that, at the expiration of three months the Far East Trading Co., Ltd., and the Ming Yuen Tai Koon Co., Ltd., will, unless cause is shewn to the contrary, be struck off the register and the companies will be dissolved.

It is estimated by the Fruit Trades Federation that last year each person in Great Britain ate on an average 85 apples. The average consumption of oranges was 53, and of lemons 12. The public spent over a million pounds more on fruit last year than in 1923.

Part of Kowloon Inland Lot 1282, comprising Nos. 220, 222 and 224, Portland Street, was put up for sale at the auction rooms of Messrs. Lammert Bros. yesterday, there being few bidders. The property has an area of 2,250 square feet and was started at $24,000. Before any bidding took place questions were asked as to whether the tenants of the houses could be turned out, should the premises be bought. Bids of $500 were made by the few parties present, but none would give more than $27,000 and the property was withdrawn.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

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The final of the Junior Championship takes place on the old course at Fanling to-morrow, when Mr. H. G. Hegarty and Mr. A. O. Brown will play over 36 holes for the title.

ON THE LAWN.

Photo by Mee Fong.

Mr. and Mrs. Dayton "snapped" after their wedding in Kowloon last week.

Princess Hermine, the wife of the ex-Kaiser has left Doorn for Berlin to undergo an operation.

The annual dance of the Shanghai Scottish S.V.C. took place at the Cercle Sportif Francais when there were over 250 people present. The members of the company and their guests were received by Lieut. and Mrs. R. Wood. Among the numbers danced were a couple of eightsome reels as well as a dance which has not been seen in Shanghai for some time—the Highland schottische. Prior to supper an exhibition foursome which call forth much applause was danced by Mr. [illegible]

The name of Dr. To Shiu-hang, M.B., B.S. (Hongkong), has been added to the list of qualified medical practitioners.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Norman McInvoy Currie, to Miss Elizabeth Moffat Ferguson, of No. 7, Quarry Bay.

Mrs. Hatten, Matron of the Thomas Hanbury School for Boys, at Shanghai, had her handbag snatched by a shabbily dressed foreigner as she was alighting from a ricsha. The handbag contained a sum of money, a cheque and other articles. The thief disappeared down an adjacent alleyway.

Dr. and Mrs. John C. Ferguson of Peking, who have been in Shanghai for several days, were entertained at dinner by Dr. Anne Walter Fearn. About forty were present and following the dinner, Dr. Ferguson gave a brief talk on Shanghai and Peking, explaining that he had lived for fourteen years in each city.

Mr. George E. Sokolsky was the speaker at the last meeting of the Literary Department of the American Women's Club in Shanghai. His talk was on the subject of "Western Influences On China." Before his lecture, Mr. Sokolsky paid a tribute to Mr. Roy Anderson, news of whose death in Peking had reached Shanghai.

An amateur orchestra is in the making again in Tientsin, and it is to be hoped the efforts will be successful. The idea is to try to develop an amateur orchestra sufficiently large to maintain its own existence, as a separate section of the Musical Society, and later on develop its own programme, combining with and giving its services to the Choral section whenever desirable and necessary. There is a nucleus at present of nearly a dozen enthusiastic amateurs meeting for practice on Thursday evenings at 9 p.m. at the Union Church Hall. They are at present [illegible]

H.E. the Governor (Sir Laurence Guillemard) opened the Singapore Golf Club's new club house.

Members of the Shanghai British Women's Association were invited to a naval dance at the Union Jack Club on Monday last when the band of H.M.S. Diomede provided the music.

LEAVING THE CHURCH.

Photo. by Mee Fong.

Mr. and Mrs. Dayton leaving St. Andrew's Church.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Britton hope to return to their duties at St. Stephen's College in September next.

Misses E. Rogers, C. Braga, L. Carvalho, C. Wong, L. Chenalloy, L. da Rocha, M. Rosario, C. C. Alves, M. M. Alves and Master L. Gutteres are to play at Professor Damenberg's recital on Tuesday next in the City Hall.

The Prince of Wales (Vice-Patron) will open the new extension to the Overseas League Club premises in Park Place, St. James-street, London, S.W. this month. This extension adjoins [illegible]

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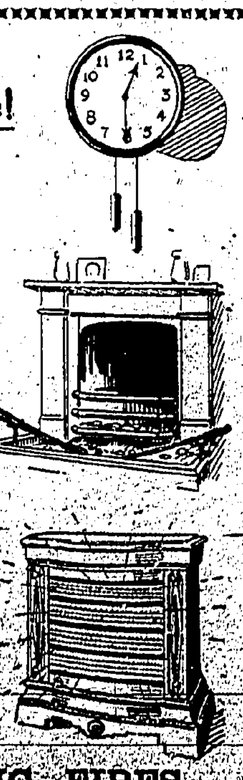

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"A PERFECT SHIP."

WHAT THE VISITORS WILL SEE HERE.

The Empress of France with 291 globe-trotters drew alongside Kowloon wharf this morning. Given favourable weather conditions, the visitors are assured of a good time with a comprehensive programme of entertainment and excursion trips until they leave here on Wednesday morning. They will be free until 5.30 this afternoon when a motor trip round the island will start from the Hongkong Hotel. A halt will be made at Repulse Bay Hotel where they will be the guests at a Chinese dinner. Sunday will be spent by a trip to the Peak and tiffin at the Hongkong Hotel. The afternoon will be free. Visits to Canton and entertainments at the Hongkong Hotel complete the programme for the next two days.

Leaving New York on January 14, the liner has touched at all the important ports on the Mediterranean, thence through Suez to Bombay, Colombo, Singapore, Padang, Batavia, and Manila. The remainder of the itinerary will be Shanghai (with visits to Peking), Japan, Hawaii, Victoria, Vancouver, San Francisco, Balboa, Colon, Havana, and back to New York on May 23, when as a journey of some 30,000 miles will have been covered in about 130 days. On May 26 the liner will resume her trans-Atlantic run to Southampton.

Unique in the cruising business, the Canadian Pacific is the only steamship company operating its own cruises. The present cruise is under the personal direction of Mr. P. D. Sutherland (Special Representative of Passenger Traffic, Montreal) who has for eighteen years represented the Canadian Pacific in the Orient. In addition there are a number of other officers from the organization in Canada and the United States travelling as assistant directors. The ship has its social hostess, a lady assisting in entertainments, a Press representative and a photographer.

Capt. E. Griffiths, R.N.R., is in command, with a crew of 431 including 45 officers.

"A PERFECT SHIP."

When built twelve years ago, the Empress of France was known as the "perfect ship." Because of her excellence the Prince of Wales, in making his visit to Canada in 1923, selected the Empress of France for both crossings. He declared at that time that she was "the best appointed ship on any ocean."

No cruise passenger sleeps in anything but a bed. Every modern facility has been provided, which with the large public rooms on the upper decks make it an easy equal of any cruising vessel. The lounge, which also becomes the ballroom in the evening, is in the style designed by Sir Christopher Wren for the Royal apartments at Hampton Court palace. It has an 18-feet ceiling, six large bow windows and a magnificent skylight extending its full length. It is hung with paintings by George Lambert, the Australian artist, under which are fine carvings by Grinling Gibbons and Mark Rogers, two of the most celebrated wood carvers in England.

The smoking room is one of the most handsome rooms on any ship. It is in two tiers and is of the King James period. The staircases and corridors, as also are those of the dining saloon, are in the early Jacobean style. The other public rooms are fully as striking.

The ship is 600 feet long, 72 feet wide, with a gross tonnage of 18,400 tons and displacement 27,600 tons. She was recently converted into an oil burner solely for cruising purposes. Last July, soon after being reconditioned, she established a new world's record across the Atlantic between Cherbourg and Quebec, making the crossing in 5 days 8 hours 51 minutes, an average speed of 20.48 knots an hour. She has maintained her schedule throughout the present cruise easily, with several knots always in reserve.

The liner has accommodation for 1,896 passengers. On the present cruise only one-fifth of that number is being carried, assuring ample space and the maximum in comfort and satisfaction. The local office is booking additional passengers for the rest of the voyage and unique facilities are offered to holiday makers including the overland route across Canada.

THE PASSENGERS.

Amongst the 291 aboard are 176 Americans, representing twenty-two states; 112 Britishers from England, Canada and India; a Czecho-Slovakian and a Swede, 45 years the eldest passenger being 82 and the youngest eight. The following are some of the prominent passengers:—A. W. Anderson, civil engineer, Malmoe, Sweden; Carl A. Boettcher, wholesale hardware, Evansville, Indiana; F. Bayers, advertising, New York; George A. Bacon, publisher, Boston, Massachusetts; Judge Charles C. Babcock, Brooklyn; Dr. Joshua W. Clarke, prominent surgeon, and Major, Medical Officers, Reserve, U.S.A., Attleboro, Mass.; John H. Cause, hotel manager, Elmira; Woodford J. Copeland, newspaper publisher in Rochester, Utica, Ithaca and Elmira; L. A. Callahan, president Baker-Callahan Motors, Cleveland, Ohio; W. E. Clark, manufacturer, Oak Park, Ill.; Henry R. Curtis, president Curtis 1,000 inc., St. Paul, Kansas City and Hartford; Charles C. De Rouville, life insurance and representing Chamber of Commerce, Albany N.Y.; Thomas A. Dove, Milngavie, Scotland; C. S. Deaver, realtor, Minneapolis, Minn.; Bhugwandin Dube, Privy Council barrister, London; Thomas C. Desmond, president T. C. Desmond and Co., Inc., engineers and contractors, close personal friend of the late President Roosevelt, at whose request he organized a regiment of 3,000 engineers for the proposed Roosevelt Volunteer division, but declined that he might continue as president of Newburgh shipyards which employed 4,000 and built 12 9,000-ton steel merchant ships for War; Carl Engberg, manufacturer, St. Joseph, Michigan; Mrs. Gard Foster, Sec.-Treas. Archæological Institute of America, Syracuse branch; Benjamin Gale, manufacturer and investments, New York City; Harris F. Gavagan, sales manager, Boston, Massachusetts; Frank N. Hall, special agent Erie railroad, Salamanca; George C. Haerberle, lumber merchant, Niagara Falls; Arthur C. Hastings, paper manufacturer, New York City; Harry S. Harwood, manager and director, The Jas. Robertson Co., Ltd., Toronto; Mrs. Edith M. Ingraham, lecturer on forestry, Natick, Mass.; Harold Jager, barrister-at-law, Gerrards Cross, England; Benjamin F. Klein, manufacturer lighting equipment, Cleveland, Ohio; Ernest H. Lines, medical director, New York Life Insurance Co., New York; Clarkson Lindley, real estate, Minneapolis, Minn.; Felix Lenhart, Praha, Czecho-Slovakia; Stanley W. Lewis, attorney, Cincinnati, Ohio; James N. McKee, paint manufacturer, Johnstown, Pennsylvania; G. Edward Muers, representing Lloyds, London; Alexander A. Martin, perfumery, Brooklyn; Mrs. George F. MacDonald, confettioner, Pittsburgh; Capt. J. F. Maginnis, Llangollen, Wales; Ethel Watts Mumford, authoress of The Wedding Song, etc., New York City; Prof. Frederick M. Pedersen, Asso. Prof. Math., College of City of New York, author Influence of Molecular Structure on Internal Friction of Gases; Max R. Ross, leather manufacturer, Chicago, Illinois; Edward Reeve, consulting engineer, Birmingham; William Reeves, leather merchant, Hastings; Capt. Stanley Renny, army officer retired, London; Miss Edith J. Robinson, Y.W.C.A. official, Toronto, Canada; Morris L. Sinsabaugh, investment broker, East Orange, New Jersey; George E. Steel, surgeon, New York City; Henry E. Sachs, president Sachs-Lawlor Co., leather Municipal band, Denver, Colo.; Miss Annie L. Simpson, artist, exhibitor Royal academy, Paris, Etaples; Arthur B. Smith, merchant, Salem, New Jersey; Ben V. Smith, optometrist, Albany; John T. Simpson, former mayor of Halifax, England; Ira P. Smith, merchant, Worcester, Mass.; G. J. Steele, manufacturer, Toronto, Canada; Frank E. Sheldon, lumber and banking, was one of engineers who, in 1881-7 built the Canadian Pacific railway through the Rocky and Selkirk mountains, St. Louis, Missouri; Henry Taylor, railway fuel contractor, Belleville, Ontario; Robert Tannahill, retired bank manager, Belleville, Ontario; William P. Taylor, mill owner, bank president, Manasquan, New Jersey; Clem C. Voss, real estate, Cincinnati, Ohio; Ethel Maud Wheatland, Steyning West Division Council and Board of Guardians, Lancing, England; George Walker, farmer, Aberdeen, Scotland; Frederick Warwick Waite, retired banker, Leicester, England; and Harry P. Wareham, telephones, Manhattan, Kansas.

NEXT YEAR'S CRUISE.

The 1926 world cruise of the Canadian Pacific, will be undertaken by the Empress of Scotland, one of the first liners in the trans-Atlantic service. She is a vessel of 25,000 gross tons, with a length of 674 feet and a breadth 74 feet. Compared with the Red Star liner Belgenland, which was the largest vessel in Scotland is slightly less in gross tonnage. The difference in length is 20½ feet and breadth one foot. The same route will be followed as this year. An earlier start will be made, the sailing date being fixed for December 4.

WELSH NOTES.

EDUCATIONAL AUTONOMY.

[BY "AP RHYS."]

Quite a large percentage of Welsh people in Hongkong are directly concerned with education and they have no doubt followed with interest the controversy raging over the Central Welsh Board. Protests are continually being made by leaders of opinion in Wales as to the ill effects of control from Whitehall over matters educative in Wales and arguments advanced on behalf of the restoration of educational autonomy in the Principality.

The challenging speech of the Archbishop of Wales on the subject has been given a great deal of publicity. In his opinion educational appointments from high academic posts to the lowest scholastic ones have in many cases been scandalously managed in Wales during recent years. Personal relations and sectarian and political considerations are said to have been too often the determining factors, to the exclusion of considerations of character and achievement.

The Welsh Outlook comments on the position as follows: We could, if called upon, give instances of College departments and of whole schools which have been ruined for years as a result of these obnoxious influences. There are many outstanding Welshmen and Welshwomen who at this critical hour are reluctant to join in the fray because they fear that completer freedom and the loosening of outside and independent control will only make matters worse in this respect. They wonder whether disguised slavery may not be preferable to the blatant tyranny of ignorance and influence.

"We must set our faces like flint against this growing tendency," the article concludes. "The most effective weapon against it is fearless exposure and we shall not hesitate to use it. One of the most interesting of black lists in Wales would be that of the influential men who, for a generation, have been saddling nobodies who were their friends or relations in positions of eminence and importance in our national life."

A CHESS CLUB.

OFFICERS OF NEW CLUB.

A good number of chess enthusiasts attended the first meeting of the newly formed Kowloon Chess Club at the Central British School yesterday, the chief business being the election of officers.

Although it is the Kowloon Chess Club, membership is open to residents of Hongkong as well as Kowloon. It was decided at the meeting that membership be also open to lady enthusiasts who may desire to join. Meetings will be held every Friday night in the hall of the Central British School at 8 p.m. The subscription, including entrance fee for the first year was fixed at $5, with the right of amendment if necessary.

The following officials were elected: President, Mr. C. F. Nightingale, headmaster of the Central British School; Captain, Mr. A. Brooksband; Secretary, Mr. S. Hidden; Treasurer, Mr. B. Kern. The committee, including the other officials, is composed of Messrs. W. Patterson, D. Carvalho, J. Salter and S. Hayes.

THEFT CHARGE.

The charge of theft of $6,600 in Straits Settlements banks notes against Ngan Sui-chik, an employee of the Societe Francaise de Gerance, was continued before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. M. H. Turner appeared for the prosecution and Mr. M. K Lo defended.

The case for the prosecution having closed, Mr. Lo opened his defence. The accused, giving evidence, said that during the whole time of the making up of the parcels he was sitting opposite the European clerk and did not leave his desk. He knew nothing about the theft, nor could he explain the presence of cuttings from exercise books bearing his children's handwriting in the parcel which was supposed to have contained the notes.

The essence of the evidence for the defence was that the piper was thrown away by the children and was most probably picked up and substituted for the money by another party.

The case was adjourned.

ONLY FOURTEEN DAYS MORE IN OUR POPULARITY CAMPAIGN.

Commencing to-day and ending Saturday, March 28, the China Mail and Sunday Herald enter into the 4th period which enables every contestant who turns in $100 in subscriptions to procure 100,000 votes in addition to the regular subscription votes. This being absolutely the last special offer, every contestant should make a final effort to get at least one bonus which may be the very deciding factor to win the prize motor car.

With only fourteen more days to run, the Campaign is fast drawing to a close. All arrangements regarding the formal closing of the Campaign, the final counting of votes and the distribution of prizes having been duly announced, all contestants should now concentrate their whole attention towards the ways and means of securing all special offers, and facilities which will give them the maximum number of votes for the last subscription they may turn in.

Call at the Campaign Department as frequently as possible and get the officers there to show you how to place yourself in the lead of this interesting race.

In order to concentrate the attention and interest of the public the most prospective winners of the prizes, names of all contestants who have not received at least one bonus or three yearly subscriptions to the China Mail will be dropped from the list on March 31. This, however, does not by any means deprive the dropped members their privilege to continue in the race, for as soon as they turn in $100 in subscriptions their names will be immediately reinstated together with their previous votes.

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Mrs. E. E. Ellis—Hongkong Hotel	1391810
H. Choa—Equitable Eastern Bank	1384700
Miss G. Ellis—10, Ice House Street	1249360
Basil Fung—4, West End Terrace	1075440
Miss Rose Lau—59, Caine Road	1028880
Mrs. C. J. Roe—2, Observatory Villas	1001620
Mrs. Molly D. Lee—5, Shelley Street	797470
W. E. Van Epps—Brown, Jones & Co.	794190
Doris Lee—9, Seymour Road	748000
W. J. Wilkinson—Hongkong Land Investment Co.	654920
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C. Bond—Gande, Price & Co.	625040
Edith H. Kee—260, Queen's Road	543060
R. C. Pass—Douglas S.S. Co.	514000
Miss Annie Tollan—20, Nathan Road	510500
Miss Alice Lau—Plans, Ltd., Asiatic Building	442420
Miss Lolita da Sousa—1, Aimai Villas, Kowloon	439180
Mrs. Elsie Danenberg—1, The Albany	175840
Miss Chenalloy—Nestle Milk Co.	157290
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C. F. Vas—Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd.	7860

DYCK'S PIANO RECITAL

REMARKABLE HONGKONG PERFORMANCE.

Felix Dyck's pianforte recital in the City Hall last night seemed all too short, although it included items in number and quality a little out of the ordinary. The player has personality and brings to mind Mark Hambourg whom he resembles somewhat. The programme opened with Schumann's Carnaval op. 9, a piece split up into innumerable parts each with its own distinctive style and atmosphere. Mr. Dyck surmounted whatever difficulties the Carnaval possesses—his technique is superb but it can be said of his playing that the true interpretation of the born artist is not sacrificed on the altar of brilliant execution. The series of shorter pieces perhaps charmed mostly. And here the writer hesitates to choose. They were all splendid—all delightfully given. Chopin was represented by three pieces including the delightful Nocturne in F. sharp, op. 15, and the incomparable Polonaise in A. flat, op. 53. The audience was carried away with this interpretation and a vivid impression of majesty remains. The American MacDowell's "Witches' Dance" conveyed the meaning of its title, and the same can be said of Cyril Scott's "Lotusland." Here surely was the land of Egypt brought to the mind's eye. Moszkowski's "Etincelles (Sparks), a wonderfully effective piece, concluded a cycle of four impressive and diverse compositions. The programme concluded with "Love Dream" and the popular "Rigoletto-Fantasy"—both by Liszt.

The audience was enthusiastic and Mr. Dyck readily responded with two encores.

A chat whit Mr. Dyck elicited the fact that he has been offered the Professorship of Piano-playing in the Tokyo Imperial Academy of music.

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FOLLOW THE CALL OF WINTER

BY BARBARA WINSLOW

THE ENSEMBLE IDEA MATCHES THE SWEATER WITH HOSIERY

PHOTOS BY JOEL FEDER

NO OUTFIT IS COMPLETE WITHOUT A UTILITY COAT OF FUR

THE TUNIC NOTE IS SOUNDED IN A CLEVER OUTFIT

ESSENTIALLY INDIVIDUAL AS ALL SPORT CLOTHES SHOULD BE

THE TAILORED NOTE.

Through the symphony of rich fabrics, exotic colours and exquisite trimmings the tailored note is sounded—a theme around which the entire composition may be said to be written. It is whispered that the Parisian designers who are sponsoring the very decided vogue for tailored things have been inspired by the drawings of an American artist and the Gibson girl is providing ideas. We care little what the source may be when the result is so eminently satisfactory, and we accept the slim lines, trim details and general air of simplicity that make up the tailored ensemble with grateful appreciation of the general fitness of the mode. This tailored influence touches suits, frocks, coats, skirts, blouses and all the garments that are a part of the sports mode, as well as the accessories that complement and complete them. Whenever there is simplicity of the youthful sort it is bound to prove successful—the subtler ways to simplicity have less of youth about them.

Straight line frocks of Kashmir, tweed, flannel and jersey, and the simpler models in printed silk or crepe and the tub silks, are a part of this tailored mode and the costume ensemble is devoted to the idea. The long, slim coats and straight line dresses lend themselves to exquisite tailoring, and along with these costume suits go the short-coated, short-skirted, two-piece suits of twills, tweeds and mannish suitings. The latter boast double breasted coats; velvet collars; smart pique folds, and the skirts are very short and very slim. Coats of flannel, Kashmir, tweed or velveteen are tailored in ne[illegible]d flattering ways, an[illegible]d sports frocks ha[illegible]. It would [illegible] be back wi[illegible] the rich fu[illegible] winter there is a [illegible] th[illegible]ty and brevity is usu[illegible]ed. There are smart little hat[illegible] gloves, a world of simple, yet sm[illegible] details to make this tailored mode success—it will be one of the most pronounced vogues of spring.

IT HAPPENS SO OFTEN.

One, he loved; two, he loved;
Three, he loved, they say;
Four, he loved with all his heart,
And with it got away;

But number five was up-to-date,
And now the gallant tarries,
The stern relentless warden's guest;
We doubt he ever marries.

You Will Find Good Fellowship in the Sports of the Land of Snow-Covered Mountains and Ice-Coated Valleys—And You Must Be Appropriately Garbed.

The subject of what sort of a vacation one shall take is—like all subjects—a matter of personal taste and opinion. This is fortunate, for the world would be a most uninteresting place were we all to wear the same colour, drive the same car, prefer exactly the same hours of days that must, of a necessity, be the same on the calendar. In regard to mid-winter vacations opinions are very decided—and divided—which makes this an interesting time of the year from the point of view of fashion. Some are going South—to sunshine land, others are going North—to snow land, and yet others—many others—are staying home. And whether it be Palm Beach or Miami; if it be Lake Placid or Quebec—quaint and inspiring, or if it be home and no vacation except week-ends, clothes are interesting, for they are presenting many possibilities and no small number of probabilities. The clever woman, with an eye for the varying moods of an always vascillating mode, finds much to interest and to use in clothes designed for Southern wear; in vogues introduced for Northern wear; in both present-day and advance models, the two, to a certain extent, synonymous. Sports clothes are no longer of a place, time or season; they belong to us all by virtue of their practical adaptability, and they meet the needs of many activities that have nothing to do with sports. But we will assume, for the moment, that you are planning a winter sports vacation that will include skiing, tobogganing, skating, snow-shoeing and dog or bob-sledding. And we will also assume that there will be dancing, dining and good-fellowship indoors. What, then, has fashion for you?

The Winter Sports Mode A Stunning One.

One hardly knows where to begin to even half describe the colourful array of smart apparel that is yours to choose from in assembling a winter sports wardrobe. In the riot of colour and the broad expanse of soft fabrics one must be careful not to lose sight of a certain practicality that assures comfort, the latter broadened to mean warmth and freedom of action. You may be an expert at all the really active sports that winter sponsors—more likely you are not—but even so you are likely to get a spill or two in the course of a day's pleasure, and you must be able to save yourself broken bones and bad bruises. Even more fundamental than that—you will not be expert, if you haven't freedom, so 'ware the attractive outfit, eye-impelling in its colourful smartness, that does not permit the necessary liberty of movement.

They must be practical, then, these outfits; but they must, as well, be smart; which presents a problem that it is astonishingly easy to solve—thanks to fashion. In every smart shop you will find ski suits, skating suits, coats, knickers, breeches, skirts, sweaters, scarfs and caps, and all the array of accessories that go to make up an outfit. And you can, if you wish, assemble your own outfit; or you can buy it already assembled. There is as great an opportunity for individuality in sports attire as in any department of dress; more perhaps, and to select, match colours or arrange contrasts is a work of love. Again the note of practicality should be sounded, this time in special relation to fabrics—they must be warm, not too heavy, yet heavy enough. They will not be practical if they are of inferior quality, remember that, for they will get hard wear and they will be exposed to the sun shining on snow and ice—an excellent fading and bleaching medium, especially if they are wet.

Colour? Any colour at all that becomes you will become winter, the more brilliant the better for the picture. Any colour that you can find in the flannels, suede cloths, velveteen or velvets, corduroys, tweeds and leathers that are the accepted sports fabrics, surprisingly light of weight for the warmth and protection they give. You may prefer a skirt and knickers—not as smart, to fashion's way of thinking, as coat and breeches; you may like a sweater better than a coat; you may wear one of the glorified wind-breakers made of suede and trimmed alluringly in colour, and no coat at all; fashion does not care. Tunic, coat, sweater, wind-breaker, it is nothing to her so you are trig, and trim, and warm and free!

What The ports Trousseau Should Contain.

The correct outfit will include some sort of an assembled costume—really an ensemble, and it will be made up according to one's personal inclinations in the matter. It may boast a skirt—if so, it will be flared or pleated that it may give freedom, it may have only the briefest and most scrupulously tailored of breeches and jackets—of leather, more than likely; it may be a knitted outfit. But there will be at least one ensembled costume as a foundation on which is built the wardrobe of practical usefulness. There will be sweaters, for who ever heard of a winter sports wardrobe that did not contain at least one, and probably more, of these satisfying garments? Entire outfits of soft wool have a genuine appeal to the active woman, who recognizes the value of their lightness and warmth.

A spill into the soft, feathery snow can be a very amusing thing; or it may be very uncomfortable. Repeated tumbles teach the value of fabrics that are cold-repelling and waterproofed, and the imperativeness of snug, yet comfortable fitting hosiery, shoes, gloves and caps. Snugly laced, the shoes must be warmly interlined, and the hosiery of wool, especially smart the skating socks of soft wool in bright colours or white, knit especially for skating or skiing with tops that roll over the shoe tops. Wool gloves are, all ways, the warmest, for they permit the freedom that is imperative to safety and also permit the blood to circulate, warding off cold. Cap and scarf sets—also of wool, there seems no end to the value placed on this fabric. And justly, too, for the entire suit of colourful warmth-without-weight knitwear has no rival for either comfort or smartness.

Just by way of contrast we have an outfit planned for the Southern vacationist and one for her who adores the thrill of skiing. In essentials of line they differ but little, though they must differ, of course, in weight. The ensemble idea appears in the golf outfit, linking hosiery with sweater, the latter worn over a lingerie blouse. The idea of comfort is expressed in the costume, and there is nothing to hinder the excellence of play. The tunic idea appears in the skiing outfit, and one gets an impression of comfort from the wool gloves and hosiery—that match; the snug-fitting shoes, and the high-collared, snugly belted coat.

For The Sport Of Looking On.

For those who take no part in the active sports but join in what may aptly be termed the sport of looking on, there are many modes. They combine much of the grace, colour and freedom of true sports models with all that is best of styles in general, giving due heed to warmth, since the wearer may not depend upon her occupation to keep her warm. For her the skirt worn over knickers with blouse or sweater, the sports suit or the one-piece dress worn under a separate coat of cloth or fur. If she would prove her sympathy with the sports she does not join, then she may wear a knicker suit or coat and breeches—the pictured model in velveteen appropriate for either the participant or onlooker. There is much to be said in favour of velveteen for sports wear, for it has the cold-repelling qualities that are imperative, is durable and reasonably well waterproofed.

Every sports wardrobe will contain a utility coat of some sort, and none will be found more practical than the one of fur—muskrat, raccoon, leopard, beaver or any of the more serviceable skins. Such a coat is pictured in the popular three-quarters length, roomy enough so that it can be worn over any suit or sports outfit, all-enveloping as to collar, altogether practical. From the really brief list—considering the many variations of every possible piece of sports apparel that throng the shops—one may get only an inkling of what the possibilities of this type of clothes may be. And many of the details of the smartest models may be applied to one's town clothes—moreover town folk go skating and bob-sledding and tobogganing with the best of them! And as to the accessories, we have already adopted them, whether we play at sports or no.

DID YOU KNOW—

THAT the turtle-neck sweater, not new, by any means—is nevertheless, the very smartest of sweater fashions? It varies in weight and colouring to meet the several purposes for which it is designed.

THAT the new skirts of kashmir fabric wear plents or otherwise camouflage the fulness that is imperative, these days? And they are either natural, beige or gray in colour, so they may be worn with everything.

THAT the familiar blazer stripe has returned, not only in flannel fabrics but in silk, the latter showing the stripe in rayon—known to the laywoman as artificial silk? Coloured grounds, as well as white, are used.

THAT the sports models incline to the adoption of the wider hemline—most certainly one place where it should prove useful? Pleats and inserts may be buttoned down, thus holding in the fulness and giving an appearance of straightness.

THAT every day ribbons grow more prominent as trimmings, lending the brilliance of their metals and silks to frocks and millinery? That one new ribbon has the appearance of fur though lighter in weight?

THAT the advance models of spring shoes exploit colour, and there will be many lovely shades of brown, navy blue and gray? Red and the very bright colours are prodigally used as trimmings, but not as materials.

The Wrist Watch Makes A Gay Fad For Recognition.

COLOR COMMANDS THE MODE

Were Webster alive to-day, he would, one feels sure, have difficulty in disposing of the word colour with a cursory definition—"A property depending on the relations of light to the eye." For colour—of Webster's day—and colour as we are coming to know it, seem two very different words, and his pedantic definition would be drowned in the vast dye-pots that are revolutionizing fashion. For colour in general, which means the countless shades of familiar hues; the many variations of the fundamentals—red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet, and the innumerable combinations—striking or subtle as the case may be—of harmonious tones, is easily the dictator of the mode. And to occupy this place in the fashion scheme is to be a power, none will deny the statement. For just notice! No matter what type of apparel is advertised, written about by fashion critics, or made the basis of style manuals and magazines, always there is mention made of colour—what is new in it; what of the old is retained or discarded; how the old and the new are combined. And so—facing a new season that is already being rehearsed in a Southern setting we are inquisitive concerning the newest shades, we are curious—and our curiosity is justified.

If one were to dispose of the subject in a single sentence she might abridge the data thus—the jewel, pastel, flower and rainbow shades, natural, beige and gray; many new and many old shades of brown, blue and green, and black and white—although one finds, by referring to Webster once again, that black and white are "destitute of light and incapable of reflecting it," and are not, therefore, colours! This is the colour situation in a nutshell, if you can imagine even a nut so closely packed with meat. But it does nothing more than hint, this summary, of the glory that the rich, the glowing, the delicate, the subtle shades cast over the future mode that is fast crystallizing into shape. The various fashion authorities may differ somewhat in their distribution of the many colours that they all agree in sponsoring, but they admit their value in the mode and their power over the mode. And, in certain principles, they concur, relegating the brilliant plaids, stripes and checks, the gorgeous cretonnes and prints, the neutrals—beige, gray and natural—to daytime hours, and find more satisfaction in the fascinating pale colourings—the pastels and certain of the flower and jewel shades—for evening wear.

If in doubt as to the range of the pastel shades, they are the soft tones of definite colours—the gray blues, pale pinks, mauve, ecru, a certain indefinite green. The jewel shades include one for every precious gem, and add to the list moonstone, chalcedony, cornelian, tourmaline, rock crystal, jadeite, and—by a stretch of the imagination—silver, gunmetal and zinc! The flower tones are exactly what they're called—which is by way of being a bit unusual; these days, although stress is laid on blush rose—they're using it in Paris for bridal gowns, on the hydrangea shades of pink and blue, maize and orchid. One can easily place these pastel, jewel and flower shades in the evening setting, but the rainbow colours belong to the sunshine and shadow of daytime hours. Yet, strange as it may seem—though, after all, nothing is really strange any more—there is a distinct vogue for natural, for beige and for gray—all neutrals—and delightful, as a background for almost anything—another colour, embroidery, applique or whatever! The subject of colour seems to cover an increasingly enormous range, as new seasons come. A featured shade of a lived-through season may disappear—we are hoping this fate for henna in all its ramifications—but two or three will spring up to take its place, until a new season's colour card has really become a fearsome thing.

It is good news that navy blue is a "new" shade—droll isn't it? Brown, a very great favourite for several seasons now, adds jeunesse—a golden tan, pucelle—a pale tan; discretion—a dark tan, and horsic—a sorrel, to her list. And there are several grays, greens and purples that are yet unnamed—to the laywoman, at least. Summer is the season of very gay sports coats, and already models in velveteen and cretonne have met with success in the Southern resorts. The former appear in the jewel shades of ruby red, sapphire blue, topaz brown and emerald green, and velvet proves a lovely medium for these shades; and the latter are gorgeously coloured and glittering with gold. Black and white, blue and white, blazer stripes on white or coloured backgrounds, plaids, checks and candy stripes are prophesied, and the usual value is placed on black, both by itself and as a distinctive note in the costume.

Bright, Yet Harmonious Colours, The Prerogative Of Youth.

The Negligee is in Danger!

Consider the bathrobe of other days, sole claimant in the average wardrobe for the title of negligee. Warm it had to be, ugly it was, as a rule, but like many beginnings of lovely things, it was fundamental. And while it no longer makes claim to kinship, except remotely, with the chiffons, silks and laces of the dainty mode of boudoir apparel, it exists, in attractive form, for purposes of utility and comfort. A display of negligees is a delightful thing to see, and no matter how practically the practical needs of a woman's life may be met, in the matter of leisure hour attire, she is sure to have at least one daintily conceived, exquisitely coloured gown in her selection of apparel, a gown that she may call, variously, tea gown, boudoir wrap, picture gown—what-you-will. It may be a thing of classic lines, of shimmering, soft straightness of subtle drapes and folds, but it is the delight of her life because of its delicacy, its undeniable classification as a robe in time. In general we call them all negligees, and the word is synonymous with fine fabrics; pastel, jewel, rainbow, flower shades, with graceful lines.

These garments of delight have been years in the process of evolution, and just at a time when they seem to have reached the acme of perfection along comes the pajama—very masculine in its origin—and threatens, not the perfection, but the supremacy of the negligee. The reason, do you ask? There may be many reasons given—the emancipation of women! The vogue of the bob! Tailored influences! But why bother with reasons for a fashion so delightful? For delightful it is in its convenience, its quaintness, its charm; and it is, for the present season, at least, decidedly a vogue. And so it is that the dainty garments in pastel colourings: the superb garments of velvet, satin and brocade; the heavier robes of zannna, albatross and corduroy are being eclipsed, temporarily, at least, by the pajama suit or the pajama ensemble, the latter inevitable in a fashion time when all the world has gone mad—with reason—over the idea of supplementing one garment with another that matches. There could be no lovelier thing than this newest, smartest inspiration of the designers, and while the most beautiful and luxurious materials are employed, and colours are quite as delicate or gorgeous, as the case may be, there is a note of economy about the pajama, for it has no wisps of chiffon trailing, is more tailored, more tidy.

Some of the most gorgeous of these pajama suits—some know them by the name of lounge or smoking suits—can be very elegant indeed, yet be as practical as they are elegant. Black is extremely well liked for the foundation, and satin is a favourite material. Effective embroideries, appliques and handings are used, and when a coat or cape makes the suit into an ensemble it may be lined with the brilliant colour that provides the trimming note of the pajama suit. Another idea for the woman who craves variety—is the brilliantly coloured coat worn with black trousers, or the black coat, embroidered beautifully, worn with trousers of metal cloth or brocade. The clever woman will have no difficulty in finding an effective combination. Quilting has come back into prominence, and while one sees it on wraps for street wear, one finds it, too, in the pajama mode—and it is possible for the woman who essays to "make her own" to buy quilted satin by the yard.

But the pajama has not driven the negligee from the field—yet—no matter what its purpose or, future may be. There are some sumptuous models being

Many Will Be Loth To Give Up The Feminine Charm Of Draperies For Even The Gorgeous Pajama.

presented as evidence why the negligee should remain. They have adopted every possible line, fabric and trimming, and adapted them to their uses, finding inspiration, apparently, in the softness of ostrich and marabou; the striking beauty of leopard fur, the strange blossoms of the artificial flower mode, and the many beautiful ribbons, embroideries, laces and appliques that fashion has found good. Someone has analyzed the situation in an interesting way, and drawn the conclusion that the pajama suit and its resulting ensemble will continue as the boudoir apparel of youth, the youth that does not hesitate to wear her smart pajama ensemble on the beach promenade, and the negligee will remain the favourite of the older woman, but what should we care for distinctions, so long as either is a possibility through the decree of fashion?

The evening mode is featuring two fabrics—chiffon and lace—almost to the exclusion of everything else. Chiffon is the more popular of the two, especially the ombra chiffons and the printed chiffons, the latter frequently accenting their design with bead embroidery.

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CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

1924.	1925.
Tytam 10ft. 3in. Below overflow	10ft. 0in. Below overflow
Tytam Byewash 2ft. 7in. Below overflow	2ft. 7in. Below overflow
Tytam Intermediate 12ft. 11in. overflow	11ft. 4in. Below overflow
Tytam Tuk 10ft. 6in. Below overflow	3ft. 10in. Below overflow
Wong Nei Chung 10ft. 6in. Below overflow	2ft. 11in. Below overflow
Pokfulam 10ft. 2in. Below overflow	10ft. 9in. Below overflow

QUANTITY IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

	1924.	1925.
Tytam	295.01	282.80
Tytam Byewash	1.44	1.03
Tytam Intermediate	126.47	105.39
Tytam Tuk	120.08	76.66
Wong Nei Chung	10.22	7.82
Pokfulam	45.04	30.42
Total	1,439.86	1,114.11

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of February:

	1924.	1925.
Consumption	120.64	224.03
Estimated population	378,339	388,703
Consumption per head per day	23.8	20.6 (Gallons)

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KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1923.	1924.
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	10ft. 3in. Below overflow	10ft. 6in. Below overflow

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

	1924.	1925.
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	254.01	180.31

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of February.

	1924.	1925.
Consumption	37.24	28.65
Estimated population	144,860	149,000
Consumption per head per day	13.8	15.2

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	1924.	1925.
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WORLD OF SPORT.

FAMOUS FOOTBALL CLUBS.

CRADLED UNDER WING OF CHURCH OR CHAPEL

SOME HUMBLE BEGINNINGS.

It is an interesting and little-known fact that many of our most famous football clubs have been cradled under the wing of church or chapel, writes W. Greenwood.

In 1874, for example, Aston Villa made its modest bow to the world in which it was to become so famous on a piece of waste ground in a local park, the players being youths associated with Aston Villa Wesleyan Chapel. Fortunately they had for their first captain George Ramsay, a young Scotsman, with a rare zeal for and knowledge of the game; and under his auspices the club quickly waxed strong, and soon left far behind it the humble day when its first gate realised a modest five shillings.

It was a number of enthusiastic youths, members of St. Mary's Church Young Men's Christian Association, who combined, one day in 1885, to found the Southampton Club, which has won so many laurels on the football field. The nickname "The Saints" by which they are so widely known, still proclaims this origin and their president was Canon Wilberforce, the popular sport-loving rector of St. Mary's.

More than forty years have gone since the Everton Club was founded by the boys and young men connected with the Congregational Chapel in St. Domingo Vale, after a few weeks practice with a derelict football—little dreaming, we may be sure, that the name they chose for their modest club would one day stand proudly at the head of all its rivals.

The same year, 1879, saw the birth of Sunderland, which had for its parent James Allan, a Scottish school-teacher. With a few of his fellow dominies Allan formed the Sunderland Teachers' Association, and it was not long before the club's exchequer was enriched by its first gate-money to the extent of six and twopence ha'penny

In 1881 the club's title was abbreviated to "Sunderland," a name that was destined to rank among the highest in the world of football.

West Ham United had its humble genesis in a Blackwall shipyard, where a few young enthusiasts joined hands to form the Thames Ironworks Football Club, with the wealthy Mr. A. F. Hills for patron. Under such auspices they soon began to make a name for themselves; and within a year of adopting the title which they have made so famous, they were at the top of the London League's First Division.

Plymouth Argyle had for its sponsors a few young men from the local solicitors and architects' offices, with a sprinkling of reporters, and made its bow to the public as the Phœnix Football Club; but it was only when it blossomed into Plymouth Argyle that it began to make football history.

Tottenham Hotspur, known throughout the football world as the "Spurs," was in its early days a club of school-boys whose hoarded pennies purchased their first ball. And Newcastle United had its origin in the alliance between two rival factions of Newcastle schoolboys, who, as the East End and West End Clubs, fought many a rough and unskilled battle before they decided to bury the hatchet and join forces, with results far beyond their most extravagant dreams.

THE BIG HITTERS.

ABE MITCHELL AND JACK SMITH DO WELL.

Abe Mitchell won a driving competition at San Antonio, Texas, with an average drive of 307 yards. His longest hit was 312 yards.

Jack Smith, the long-driving golf champion, who is assistant to George Duncan at Wentworth Park, again distinguished himself in the holes bogey competition decided by the Guildford and District Alliance at Bramshot.

During both rounds he was putting for 2's at the sixth hole, which measures 268 yards, and in the second round he reached the 14th green—472 yards—with a drive and a mashie. He won the assistants' prize and tied with J. H. Turner, G. M. Turner and T. Mounce in the open event at four down, and won the handicap contest, playing from scratch.

HIDE AND SEEK.

A FOOTBALL FLOOD COMEDY AT LIVERPOOL

Two brave teams went gally to Liverpool Notts County to play Everton and their reserves to play New Brighton Reserves, on the other side of the river. Neither team took bathing suits. Mr. Fogg, the referee, considerately called off the League game (the ground was rather damp), and the Nottingham players crossed the Mersey to watch their pals. Unfortunately, the reserves conceived the same idea, and decided, with the referee's permission, to go and cheer their first eleven. When last heard of, the teams had not met, but it is understood that 22 new swear words have been invented.

SPORTS AND PROFESSIONALS.

Can a man who is a professional in one sport be an amateur in another? "No," says the British Olympic Association unanimously. I sympathise with them in their praiseworthy and extremely difficult task but do let us get right, to begin with, writes a Daily Chronicle man. What they mean is: Can a man, etc., be considered an amateur. In a matter like this words count for much. They must not be used to make us ridiculous.

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It is nearly 24 years since Miss Mabel Bryant first played for England at hockey, and she is still one of the first choices. Her international "caps" number 29, and only S. H. Shoveller and J. H. Bennett can beat this number. But even they have not been in harness for so long.

GOLF.

THE HERTS CHAMPIONSHIP.

J. P. Hall and James Bradbeer, representing the Porters Park Club, of which they are respectively captain and professional, won the Hertfordshire tournament at Porters Park, Badlet, with a return of 6 up bogey in 36 holes.

Alexander Herd—that vigorous veteran of 57 who made his first appearance in the open championship 40 years ago, secured it in 1902, and has been near to winning it again several times in recent years—partnered H. de Fleming Shepherd on behalf of Moor Park. They had the best chance of all of gaining first place, but they missed some golden opportunities on the putting greens, and, as a result, were just beaten, their return being 5 up.

Herd was at once the mainstay and delinquent of the side. He made the putting easy for himself by the excellence of his shots with wooden and iron clubs, and then failed near the tin to apply the little finishing touches that would have won several more holes from bogey.

Perhaps he was suffering from a certain self-consciousness. After a lifetime of loyalty to trousers—once the token by which a professional might be distinguished from an amateur in his traditional knicker-bockers—this sturdy member of the old-fashioned school of Scottish professionals made his first appearance in a tournament in plus fours. Braid and Taylor was now about the only professionals who remain faithful to trousers, the last of which will doubtless soon be taken from golf courses to the British Museum.

Standing 3 up at the end of the morning round, Herd and Shepherd became 6 up at the 7th hole in the afternoon, and were playing so well that it looked as though they would add to the number. Here it was that they had, their bad patch.

Herd was on the green at the 8th (420 yards) with two wooden club shots, but he took three putts, and they lost the hole. He missed a putt of less than a yard at the 9th, and they lost that too. So it happened that they finished only 5 up.

Hall and Bradbeer, the winners, were also 3 up in the morning, and they increased their advantage steadily in the afternoon until they stood 7 up with two holes to play. They lost the 17th, where Bradbeer missed a putt of two feet—his only mistake. They ended 6 up.

R. Taylor and Harry Vardon were 2 up in the morning, but came to grief in the second round.

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Porters Park, J. P. Hull (2) and J. Bradbeer, (plus 4) 6 up.
Moor Park, H. le Fleming Shepherd (scr.) and Alex Herd (plus 4), 5 up.
Old Fold Manor, D. G. Robertson (7) and J. S. Fernie (plus 4), 5 up.
Royston, R. H. Rowley (4) and E. E. Beverley (plus), 1 down.
Verulam, J. S. Pearson (scr.) and C. Wallis (plus 4), 2 down.
South Herts, R. Taylor (14) and Harry Vardon (plus 4), 2 down.
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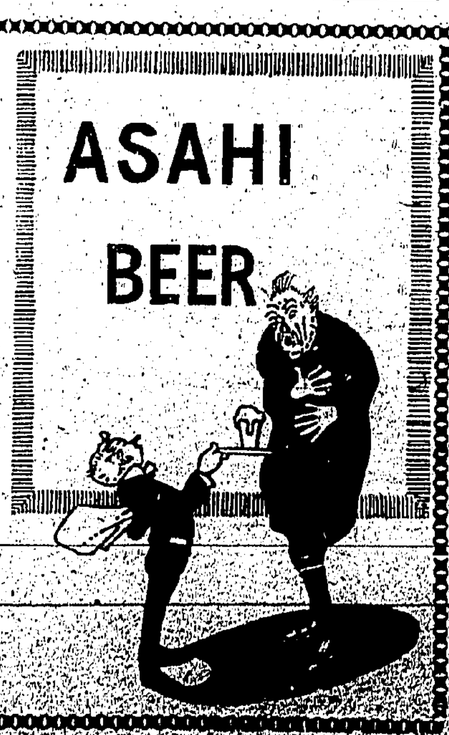

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Entrance fees are $1 for the majority of events, 50 cents for children's races and $4 and $8, respectively, for the different classes in the tug-of-war and relay race.

The programme is so arranged that it will be possible to hold more than one event at a time and also to allow of eliminating heats being run off without interference with the main items. The course for the Marathon Race will this year be from the foot of path leading to Aberdeen Station, along the Aberdeen Road to Wong Nei Cheong Gap, down Wong Nei Cheong Gap Road to the Football Ground, keeping on the east side of Hongkong Jockey Club, Race Course, then enter football ground from east side, once round, ring finishing at tape in front of stand.

INTERPORT HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club in a hockey match against a team from Shameen to be played at the U. S. R. C. this afternoon at 3.30.—P. W. F. Mills; C. J. M. Hughes, C. L. R. Becher; J. Wedlake, Rev. E. W. L. Martin, A. Bower; S. H. Garrod, W. H. Lock, L. R. Blacking, T. J. Price and J. C. Faers.

CLUB v. PUNJABIS.

The following will represent the Club against the 5th/2nd Punjabis on Wednesday, March 25, at 5.15 p.m. at the Marina ground:—P.W. F. Mills; A. P. T. Farquharson, C. L. R. Becher; A. S. Hett, E. J. R. Mitchell (capt.), A. A. Dand; G. P. Lammert, G. R. More, W. Woodward, E. D. Evans and G. R. Vallack.

BILLIARDS.

In the semi-final of the Shanghai Amateur Billiards Championship, R. C. K. Johnson, a former champion, defeated W. A. Pennell by 1,000 to 937.

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The story of "Ladies Must Live," the excellent Paramount picture showing at the Star Theatre as the feature attraction for to-day and to-morrow, is too long to be told in this brief space, but the theme, as the title might suggest, deals with the problem of how women in all social circles plan to direct the current of their lives, so that they may live according to the current of their individual tastes. The plot has a decidedly dramatic twist and many of the scenes are thrilling to a degree. A notable cast includes Betty Compson as leading woman and Robert Ellis as leading man. The settings are of course equal to the theme, having been planned by the late Mr. George Loane Tucker, who is famous in the screen world as the producer of "The Miracle Man." Indeed, "Ladies Must Live" is the last picture that Mr. Tucker made. Owing to its manifold interest it represents an excellent attraction for the week-end.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Under date of March 18, in the latest "Government Gazette," it is announced that H.E., the Governor has been pleased to appoint the Hon. Sir Henry Edward Pollock, Kt., K.C., to act as Attorney General during the absence on leave of the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C., C.B.E., or until further notice, with effect from March 21, 1925.

Sir Henry has acted in the same capacity on previous occasions and succeeds the Hon. Mr. Kemp as chairman of the Rents Ordinance Committee appointed by the Legislative Council.

POLICE CHANGES.

The following changes in the Hongkong Police Force were made yesterday:—

Divisional Inspector Blackman has been transferred from Yaumati to Shaukiwan, his place being taken by Divisional Inspector Aris from No. 2 Police Station (Wanchai). Divisional Inspector Ogg from Shaukiwan has taken charge of the Wanchai district.

SEVEN ARRESTS.

Six men and one woman were brought before the Kowloon Magistrate this morning in connection with the armed robbery in the house of Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios at Hormuntin. One of the men was discharged. The others were remanded.

ROBBERS SCARED.

Three men armed with daggers made an unsuccessful attempt to [illegible]

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COUNCIL ELECTION.

In consequence of Sir Henry Pollock becoming, during his tenure of the Attorney-Generalship, an official member of the Legislative Council, the "Gazette" notifies that by command of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, an election by the Justices of the Peace to serve on the Legislative Council vice the Hon. Sir H. E. Pollock, as from to-day will take place at the office of the Registrar, Supreme Court, on Monday, March 30, 1925, commencing at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

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